

# ORB EAST END CROSSING CABLE-STAYED BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION



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# PROJECT OVERVIEW





# PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP



- Design, build, finance, operate, maintain
- 35 year term
- Availability payments



# SECTION 5 TEAM ORGANIZATION



**Owner/Owner's Rep.**



**INTERNATIONAL  
BRIDGE  
TECHNOLOGIES, INC.**

**Permanent Structure /  
Construction Engineering**



**Developer**



**Design-Builder**



**Temporary Works**





# ENGINEERS OF RECORD



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INTERNATIONAL  
BRIDGE  
TECHNOLOGIES, INC.





# CONTRACTOR

THE OHIO RIVER  
**BRIDGES**



**Construction  
Joint Venture**

**WALSH**

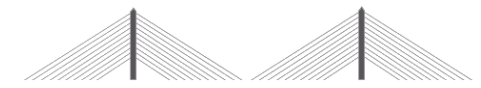
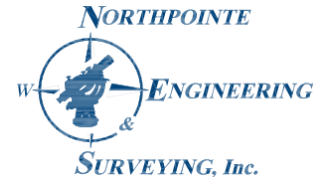


GRANDS PROJETS





# ADDITIONAL TEAM MEMBERS





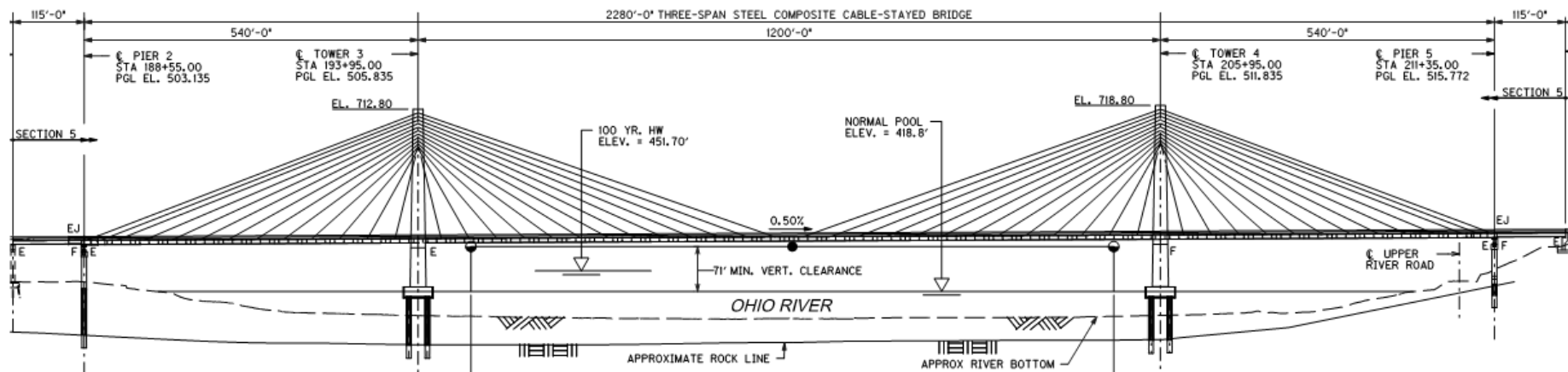
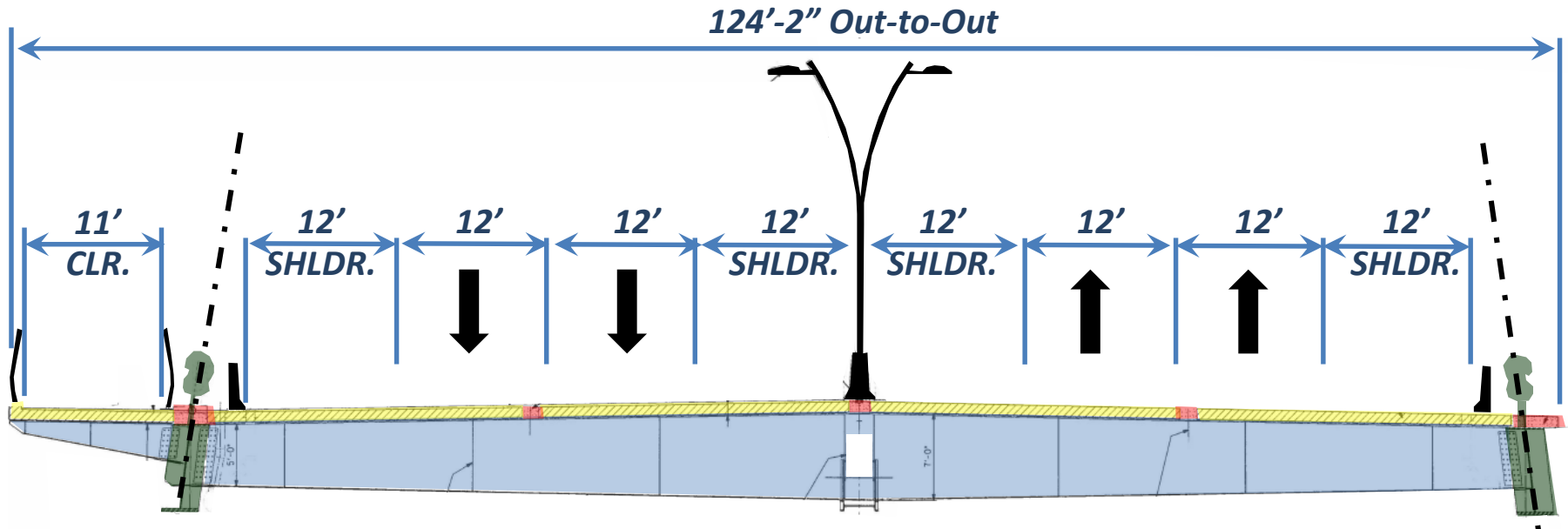
# BRIDGE OVERVIEW

THE OHIO RIVER  
**BRIDGES**





# SUPERSTRUCTURE

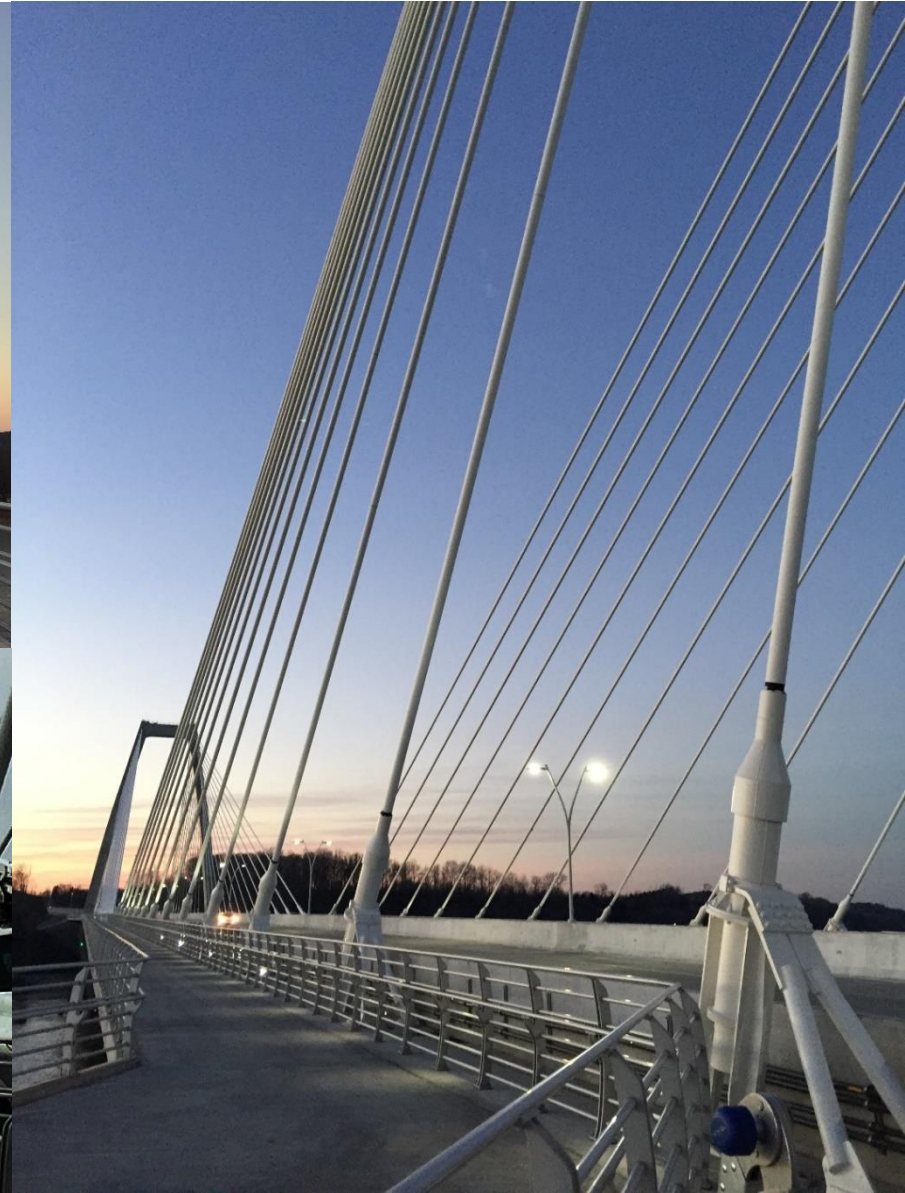


# SUPERSTRUCTURE





# SHARED USE PATH - DAY





# SHARED USE PATH - NIGHT





# SUBSTRUCTURE





- Performance-based approach based on location/exposure
  - Concrete mix designs
  - Reinforcing type and cover for permanent/temporary elements
- Product selection
- Repairs
- Dissimilar metals
- Re-detailing of elements
- Developer involvement





# SCHEDULE



- Bridge Construction of Permanent Works Started: August 2013

Construction Activity	Duration
Tower Foundations (average)	11 Months
Towers (average)	19 Months
KY Backspan Superstructure	3 Months
IN Backspan Superstructure	6 Months
Pier Tables	2 Months
Mainspan Superstructure/Deck/Cables	5 Months
Overlay, Barrier, Railing, Lighting	3.5 Months

- Bridge Opening: December 2016

***Bridge Construction Duration: 41 Months***





# TOWER CONSTRUCTION

8/1/2013

FOUNDATIONS

4.5 Months

Precast Tubs

8 Months

Drilled Shafts

5 Months

Footings



2/29/2016



12.5 Months

Solid Tower Lifts, Lifts 1-7

Hollow Tower Lifts, Lifts 8-16

4 Months

Hollow Lifts with Anchor Boxes, Lifts 17-22

4.5 Months

TOWERS

Upper Struts

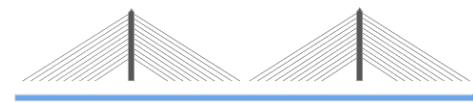
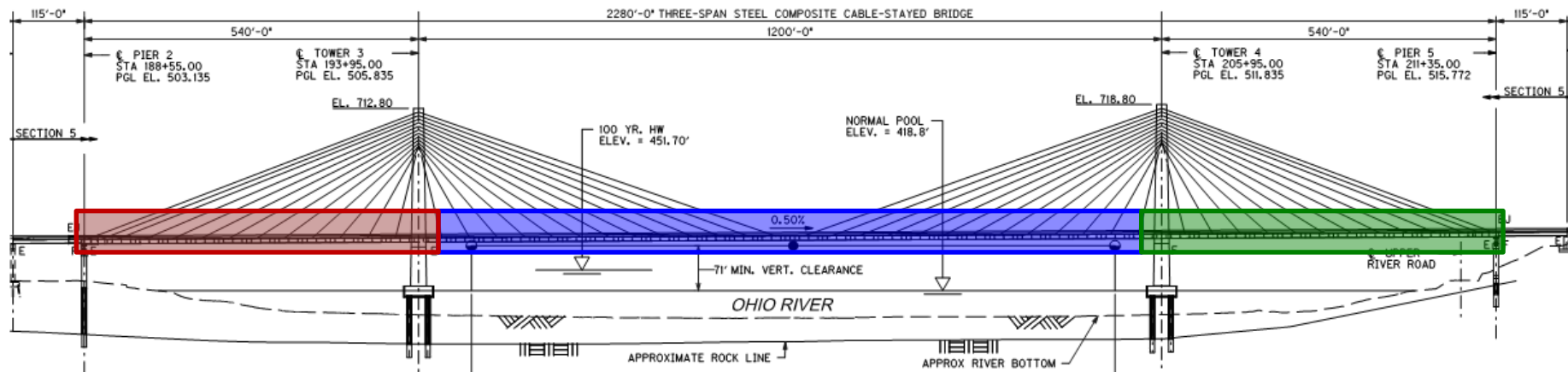
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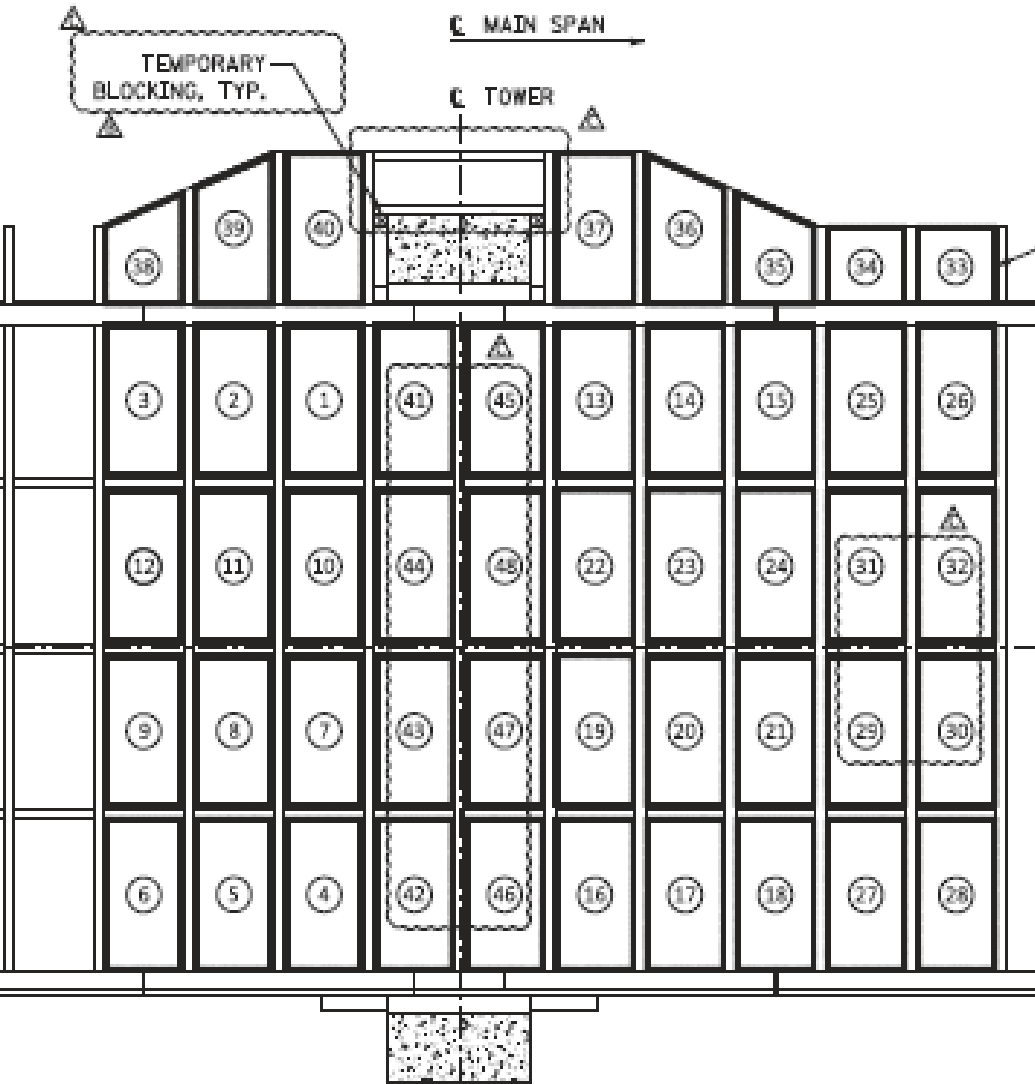


# ERECTION METHODS

- **1200' MAIN SPAN:** **BALANCED CANTILEVER**
- **540' BACK SPANS:** **STICK-BUILD ON FALSEWORK (KENTUCKY)**  
**INCREMENTAL LAUNCH (INDIANA)**



# DECK ERECTION MANUAL



400 pages detailing:

- Structural Checks/  
Assumed Loading
- Survey Requirements
- Deflections
- Work Points Coordinates
- Deck Elevations
- Stay Forces
- Support Reactions
- Detailed Cycle/Stay  
Stressing Sequence in 60  
Erection Schematics



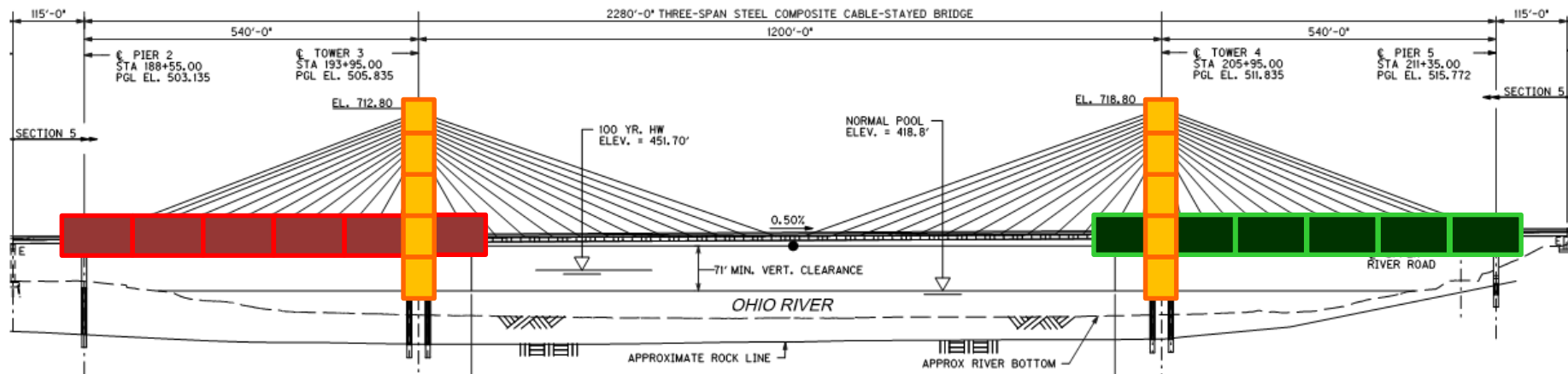


- RFP COMPLETION DATE = 7/1/2017

**DATE PROPOSED :  
10/31/2016**



# SCHEDULE LOGIC



***OVERLAPPING ACTIVITIES = CRITICAL PATH GAINS***

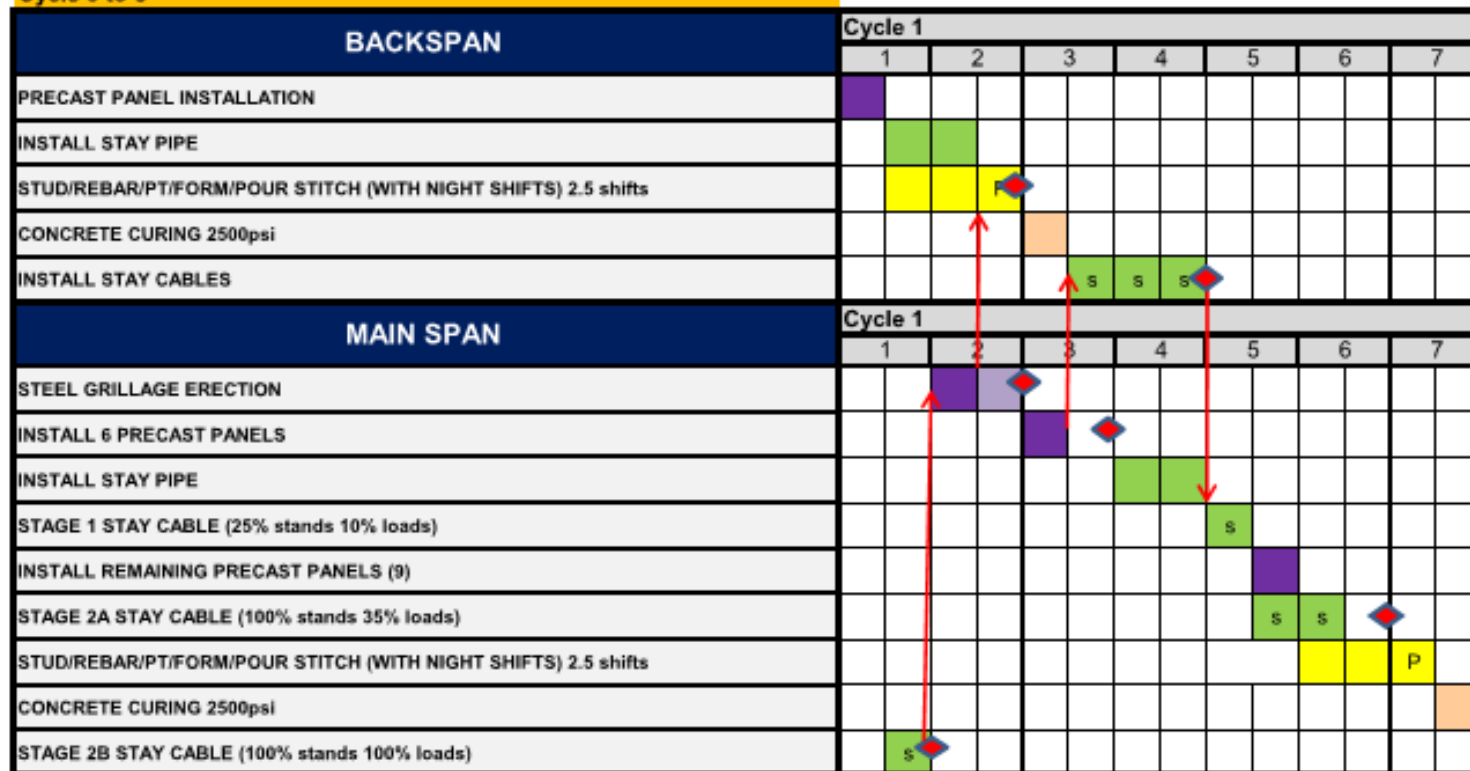




# RESULT : OPTIMIZED CYCLES



## Cycle 3 to 8

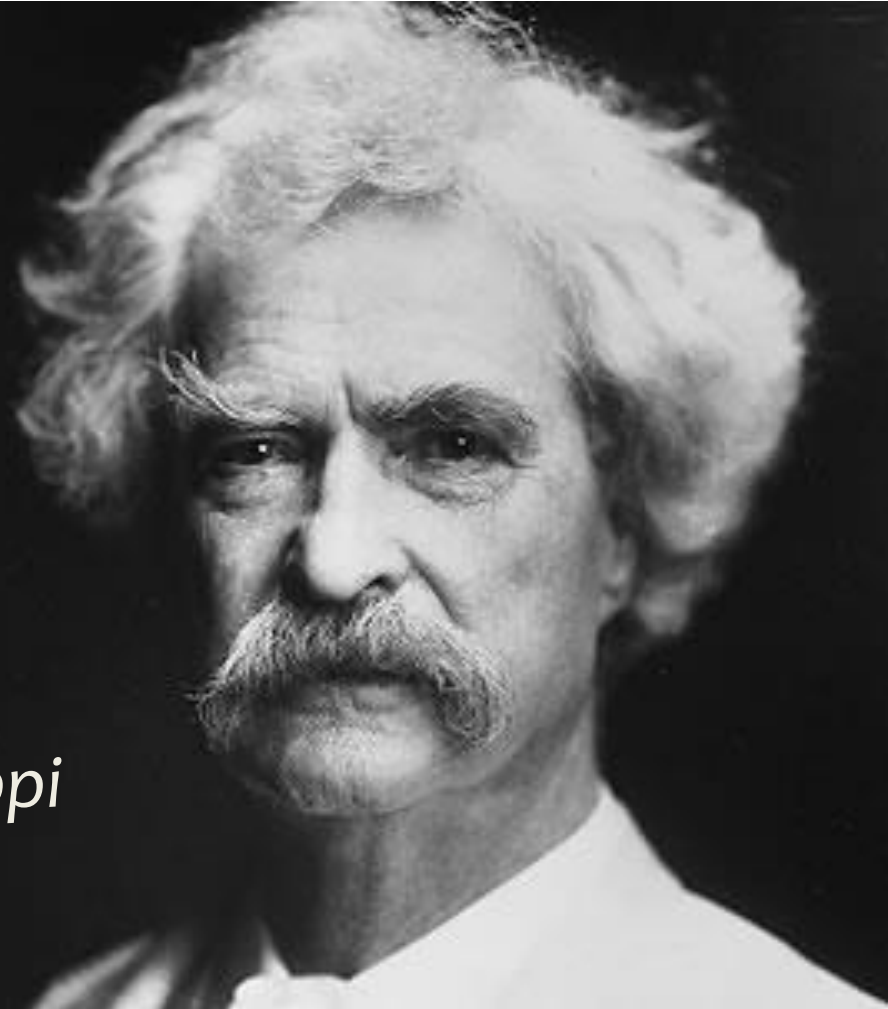




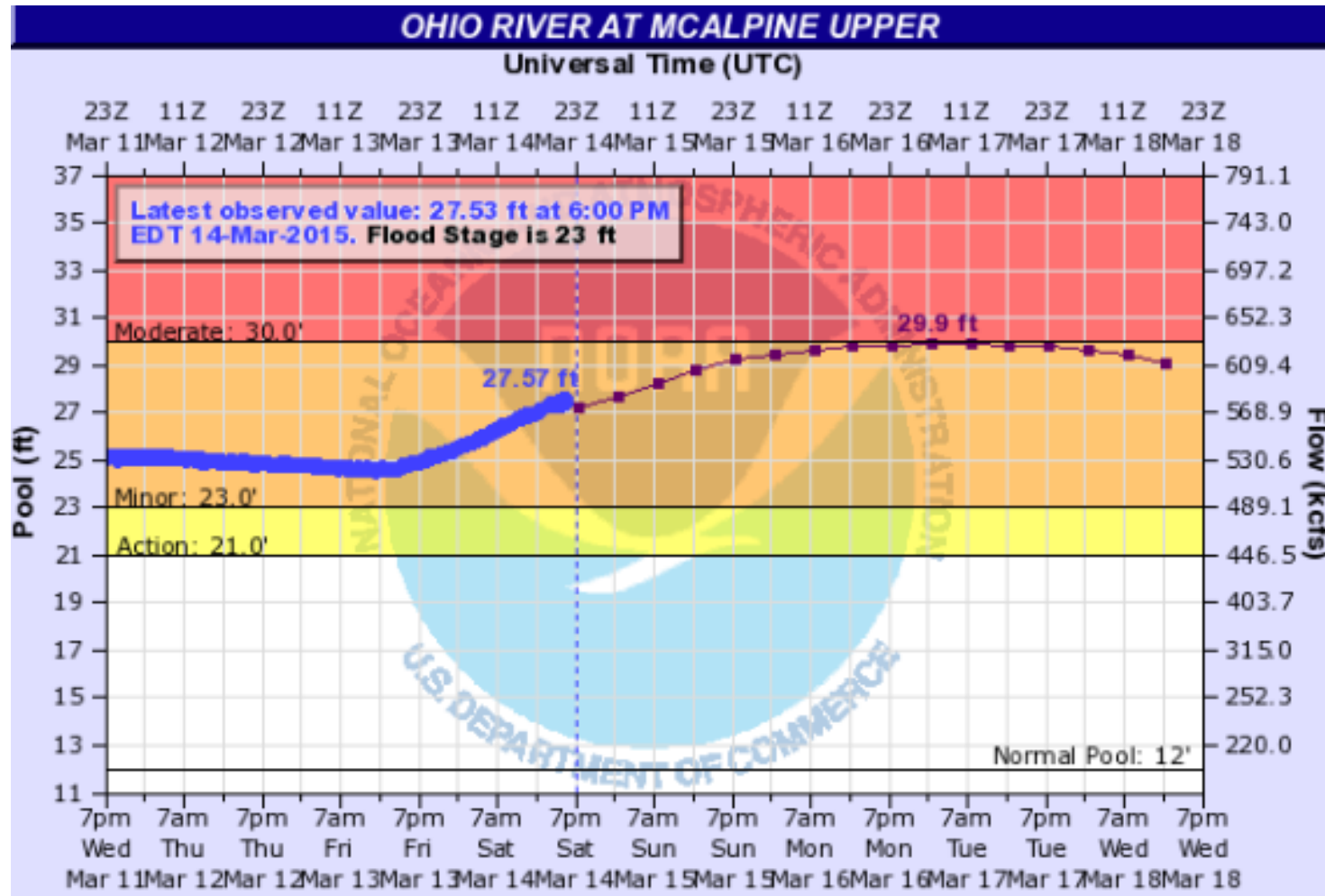
“ Ship channels are buoyed and lighted, and therefore it is a comparatively easy undertaking to learn to run them. ”

**- Mark Twain -**

*Life on the Mississippi*



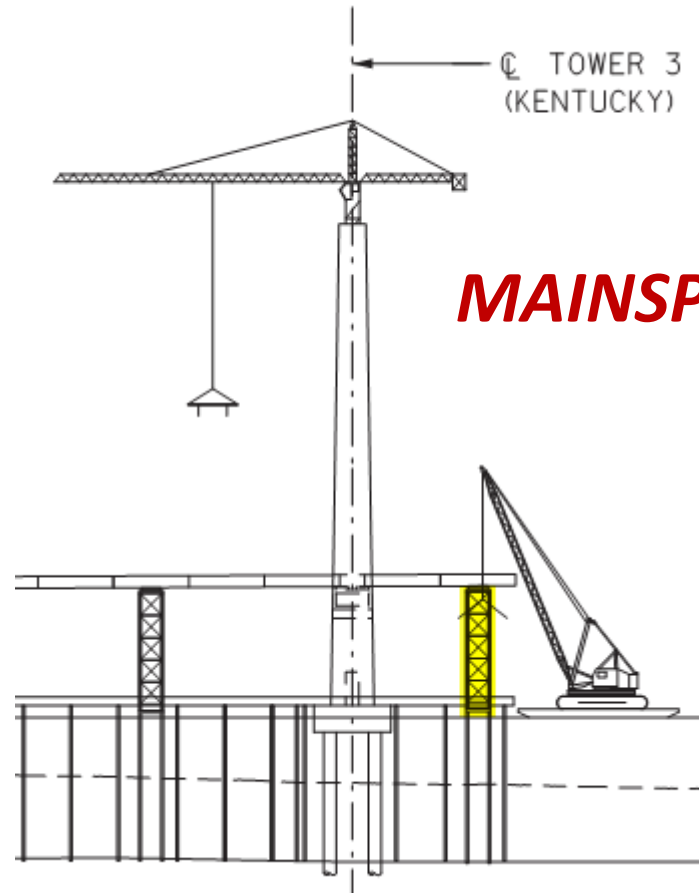
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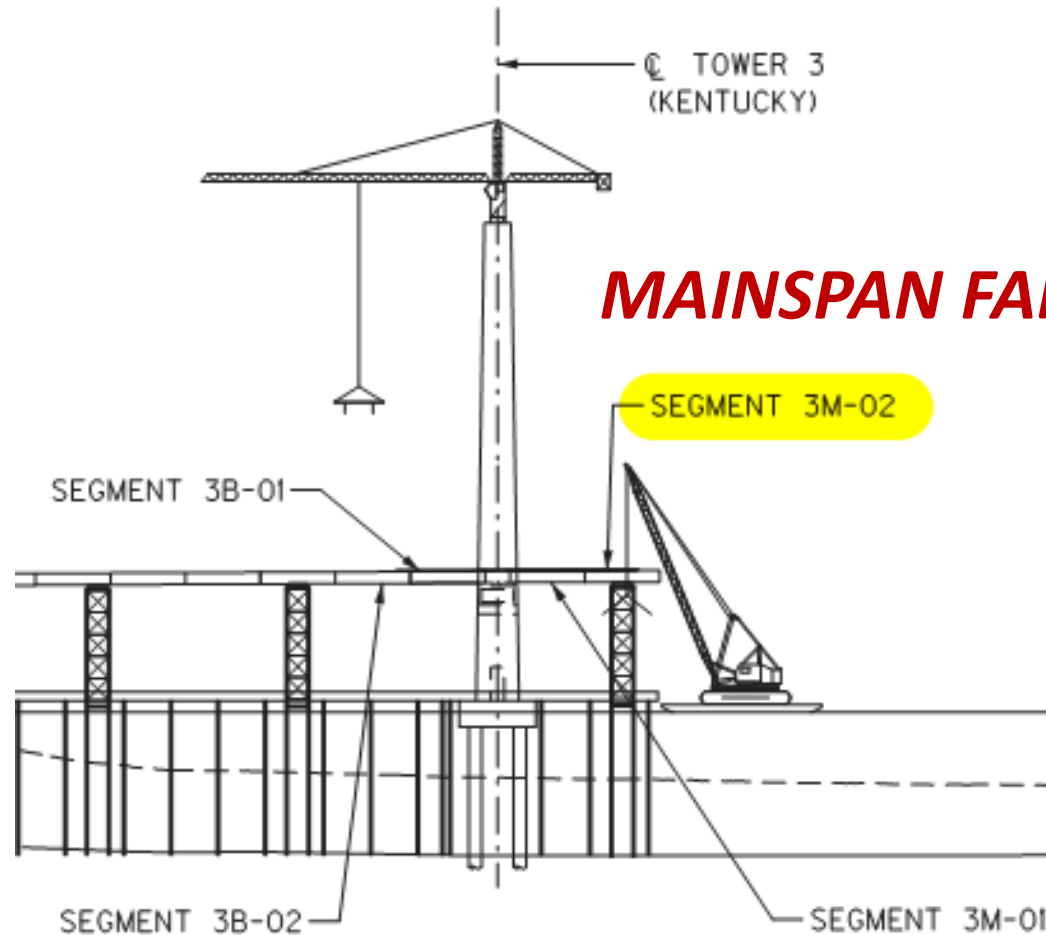
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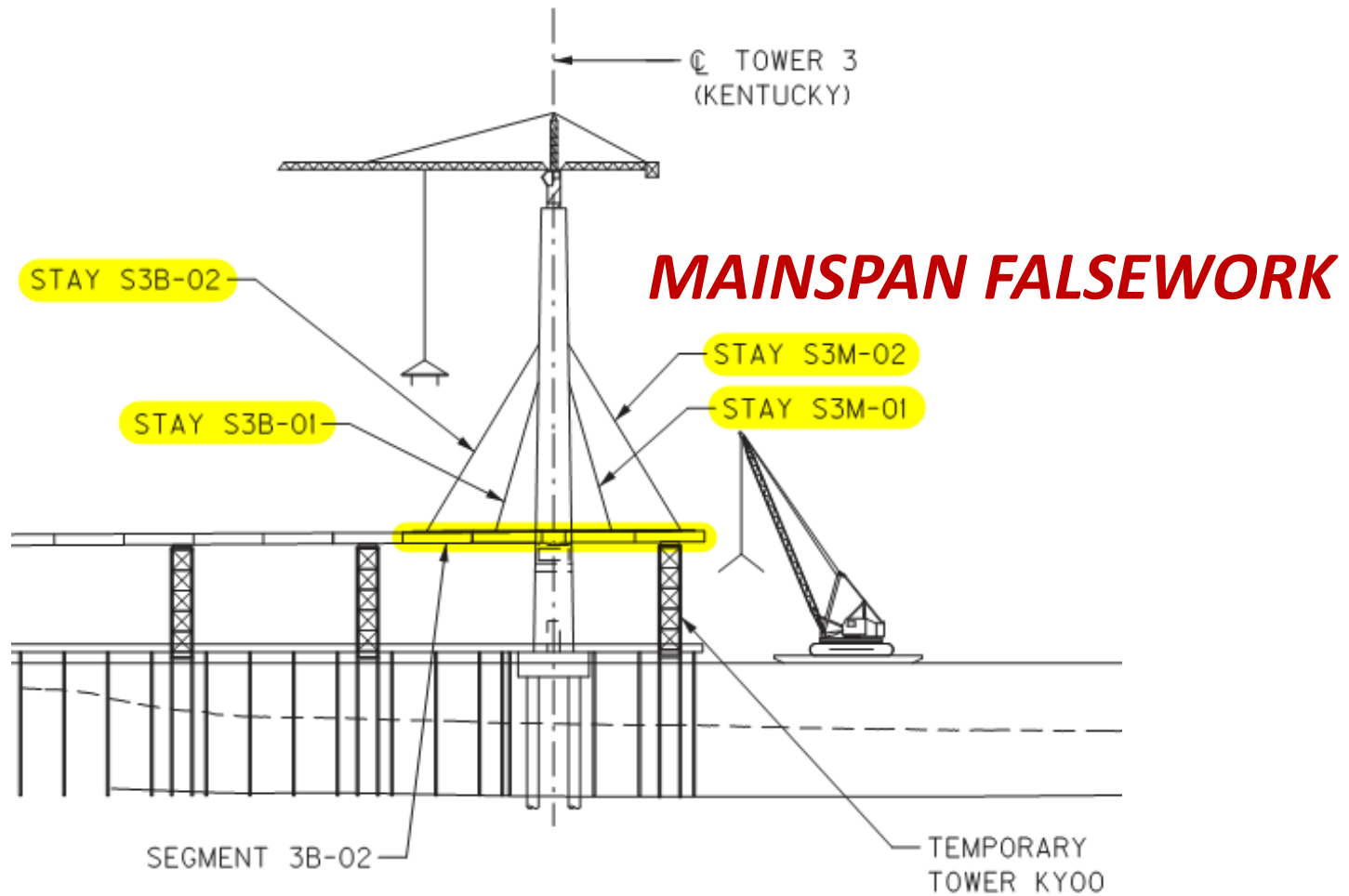






## ***MAINSpan FALSEWORK***

# RESULT: EARLY PANELS







# UNFORESEEN OBSTACLES

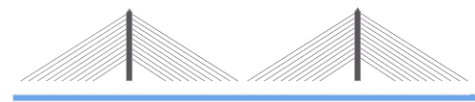
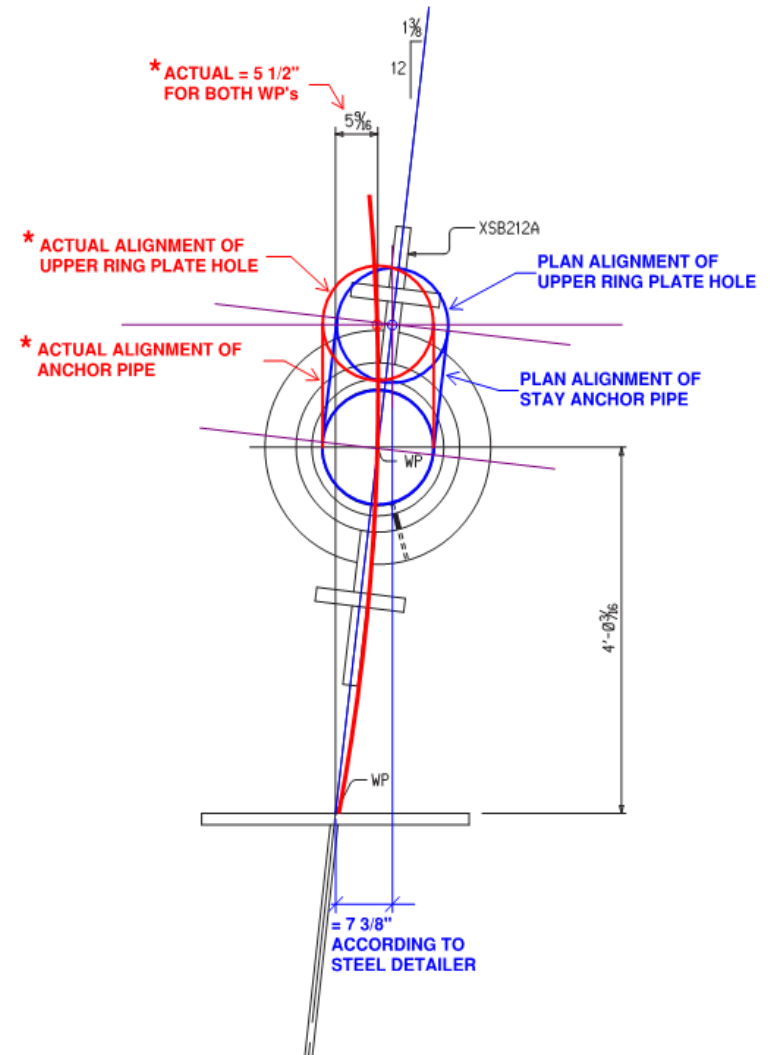




# STAY GEOMETRY

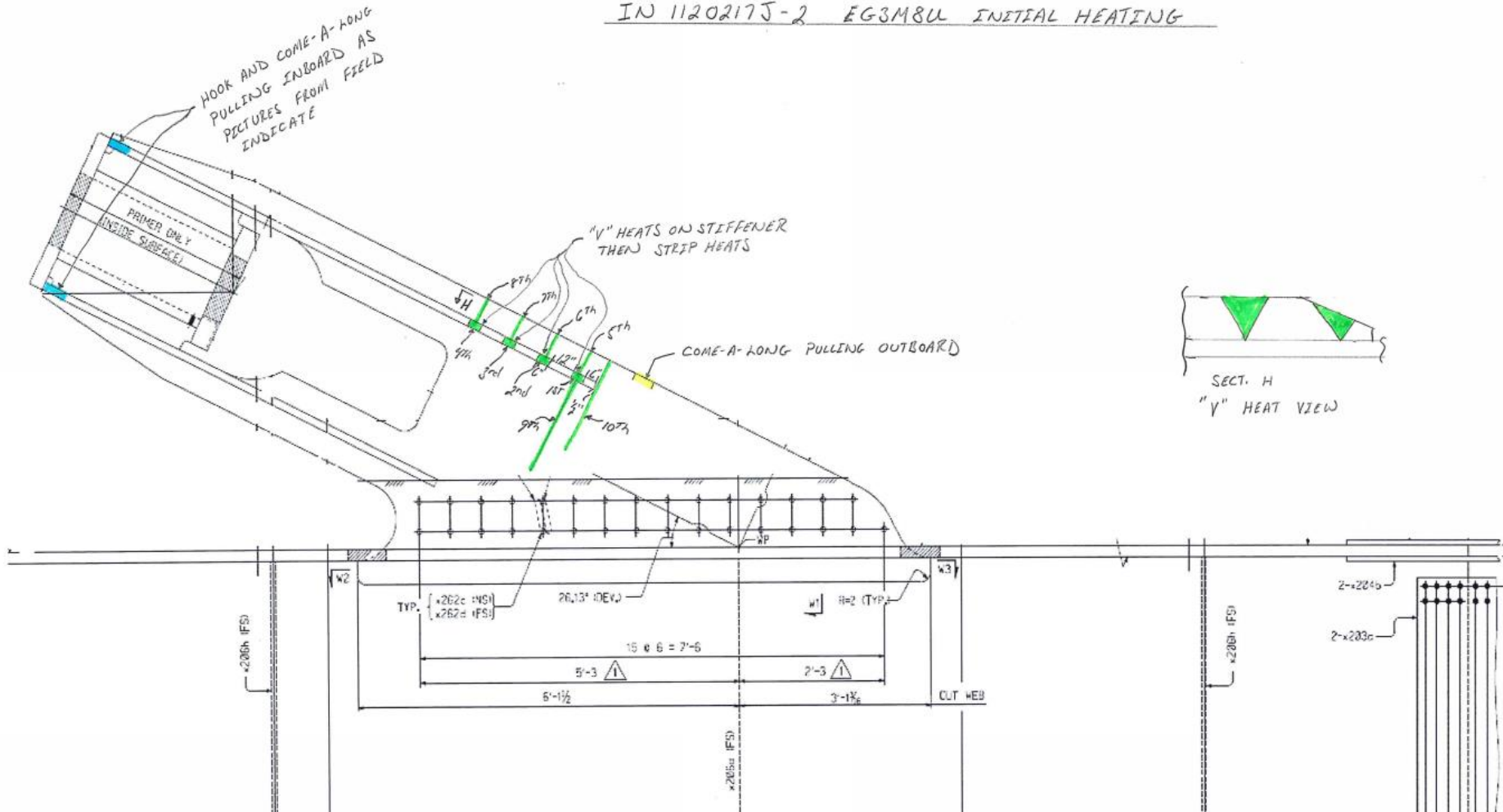


**GUSSET PLATE A  
WARPED 1-3/16"**



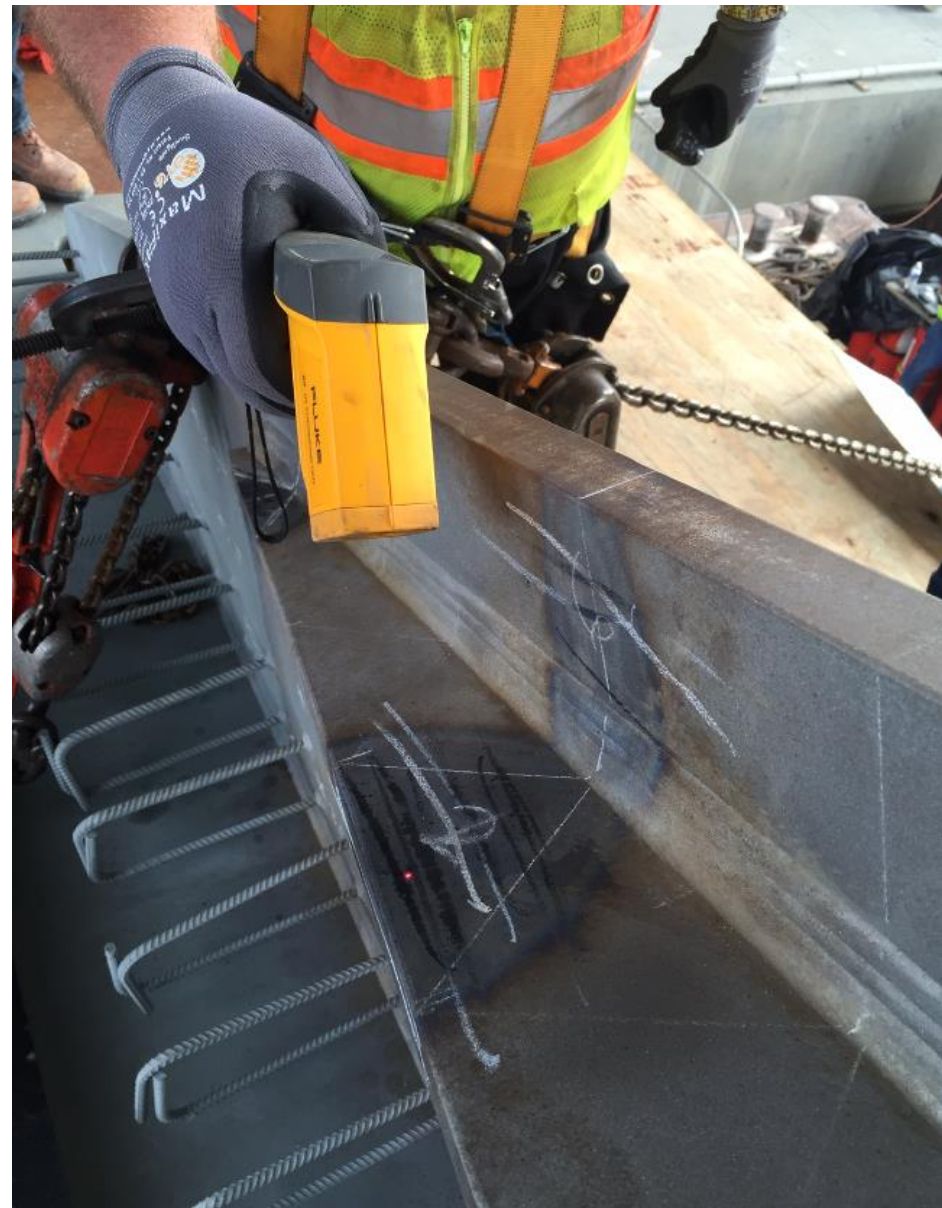
# HEAT STRAIGHTENING

IN 1120217J-2 EG3M8U INITIAL HEATING





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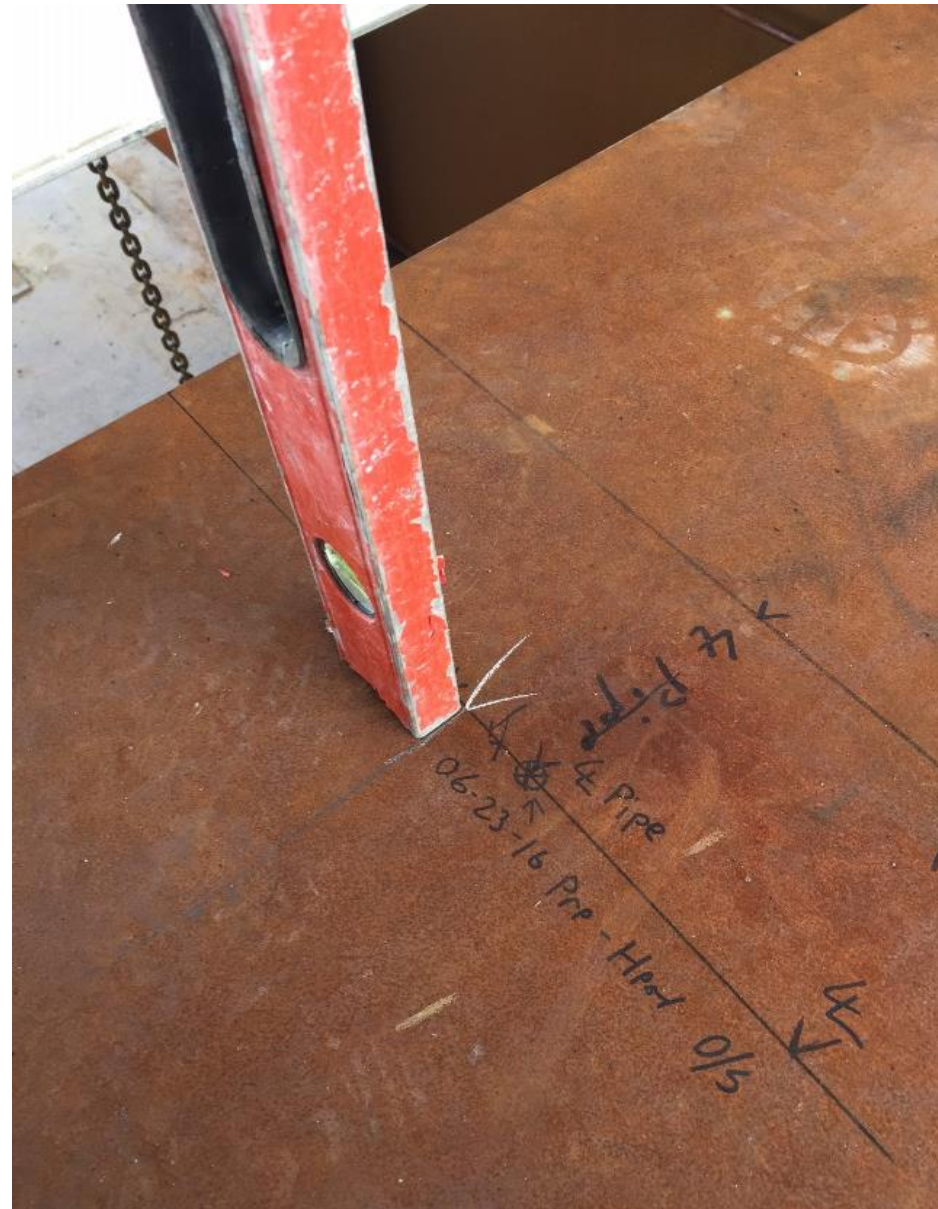


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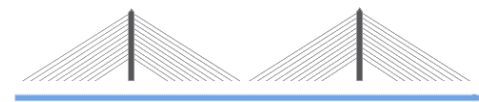
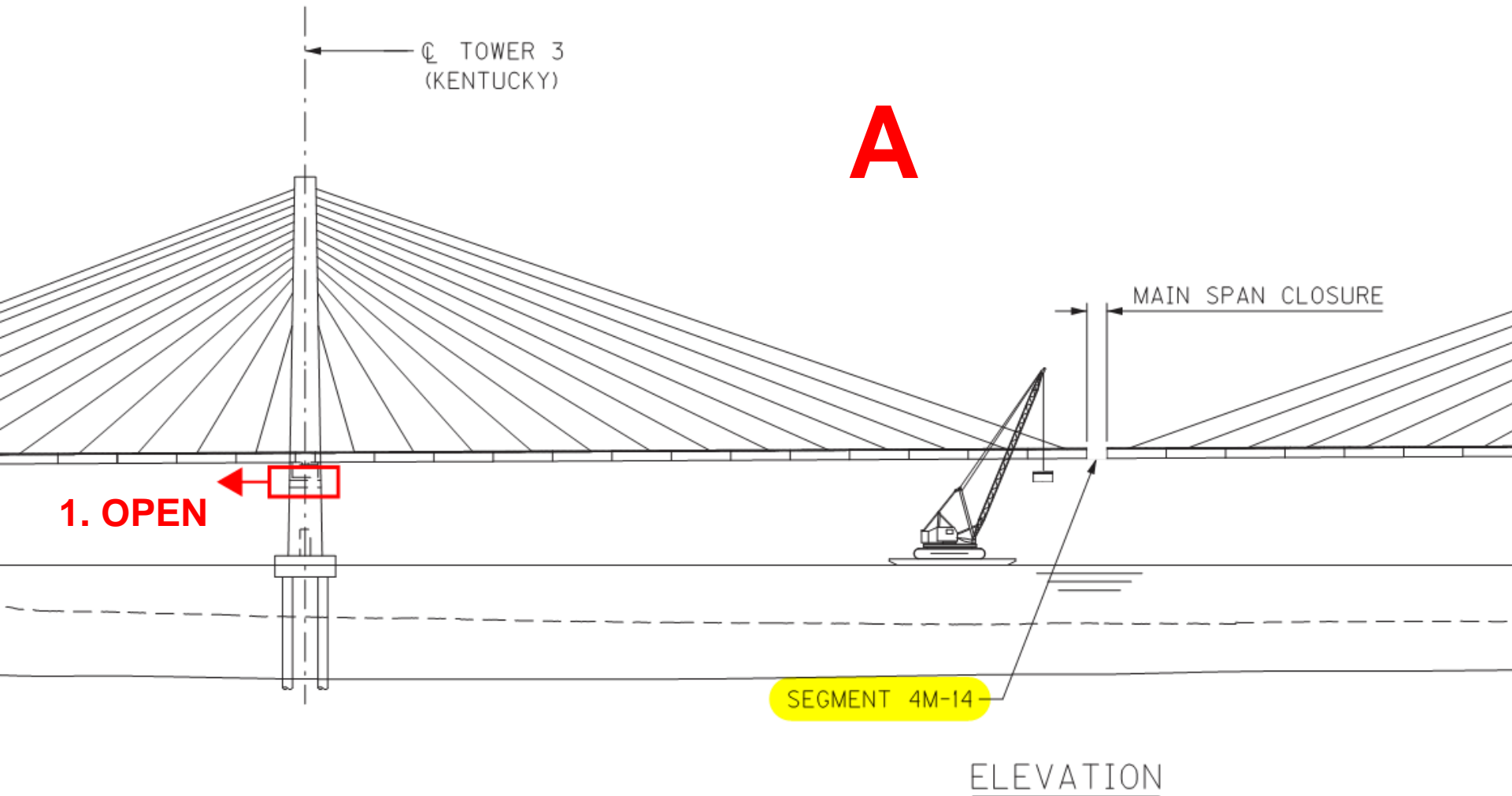


FINISHING STRONG

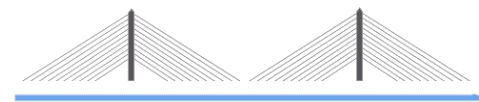
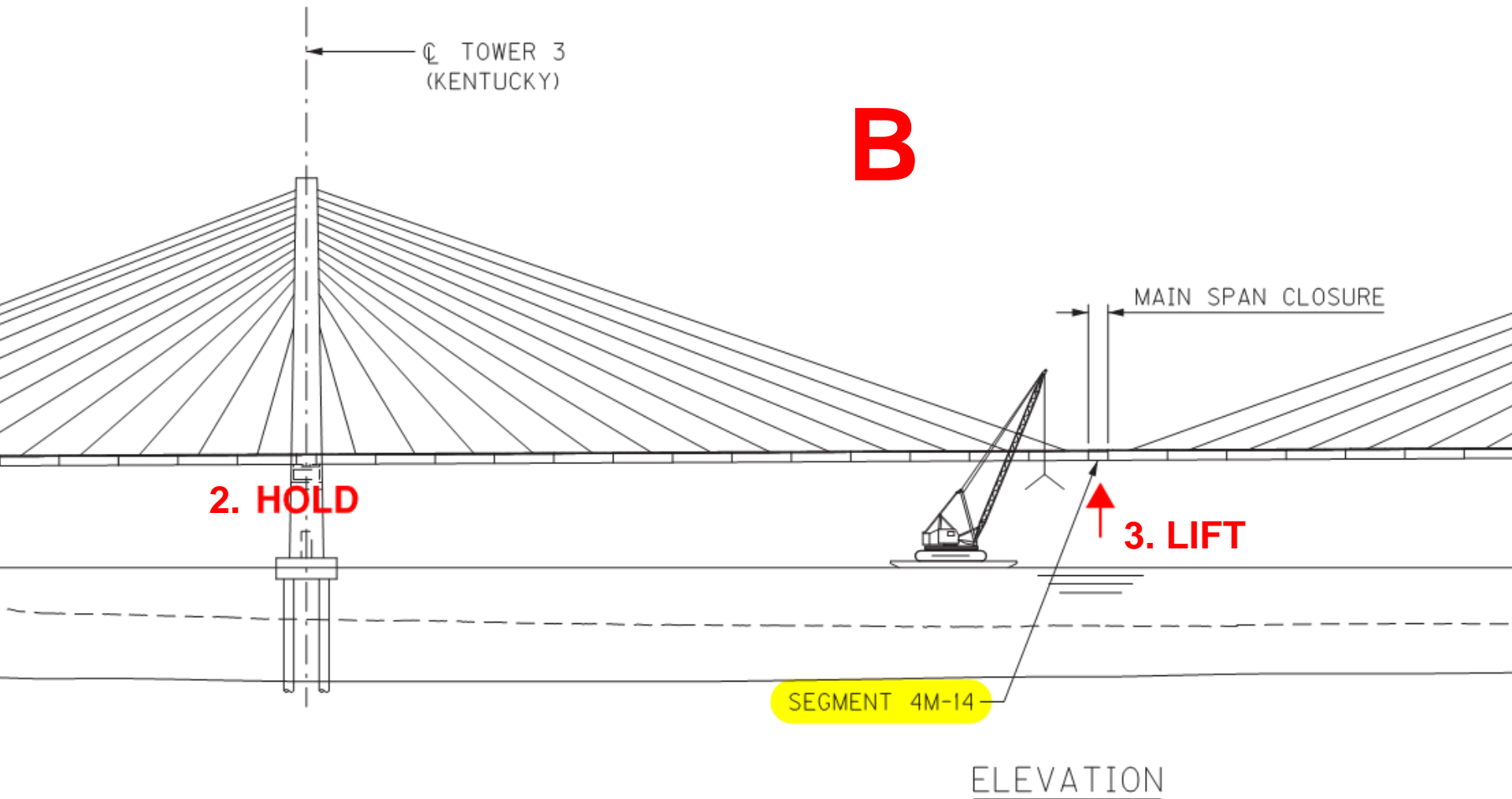




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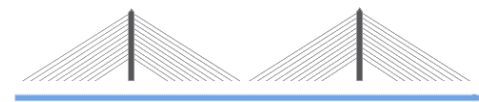
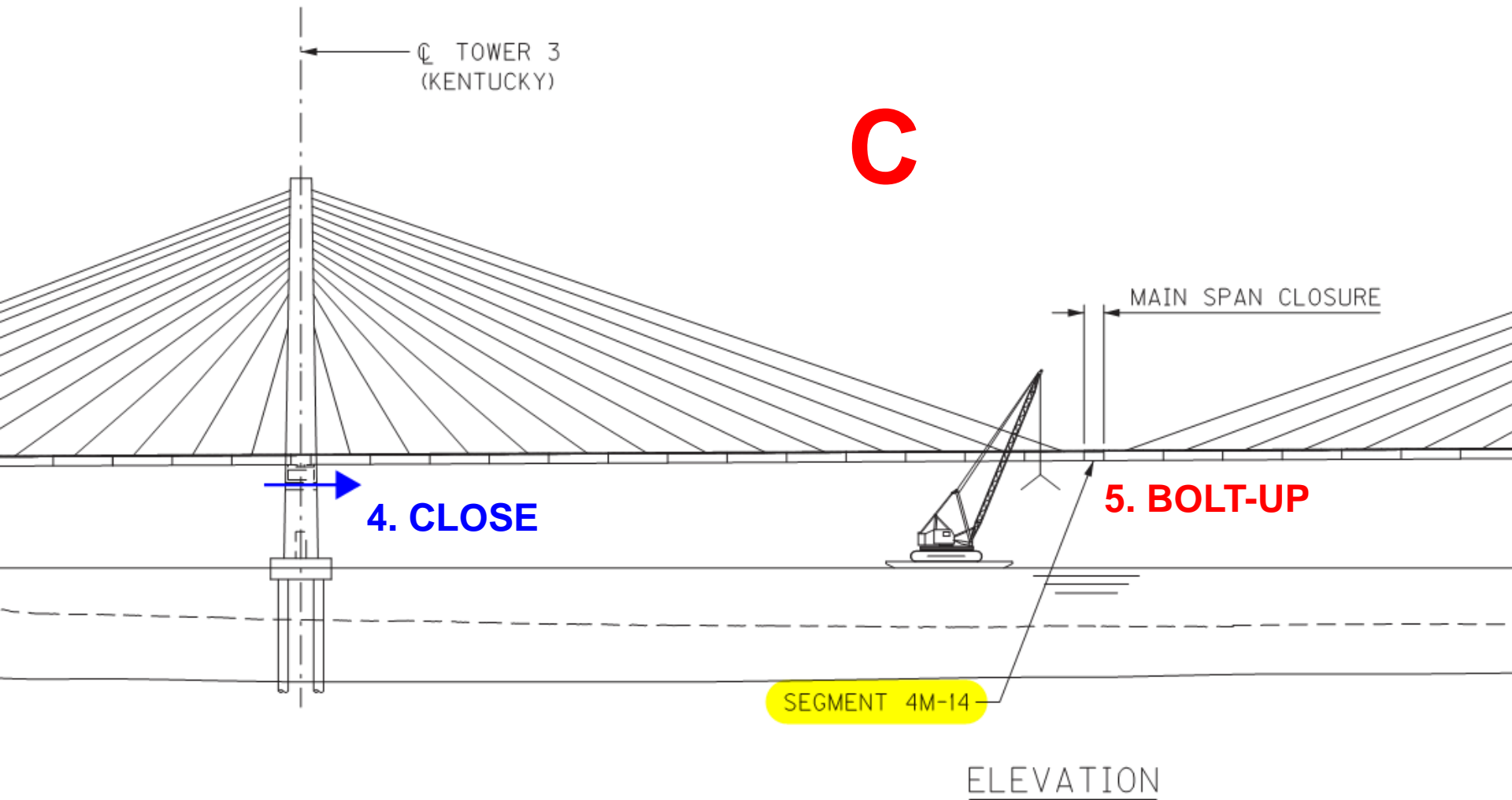


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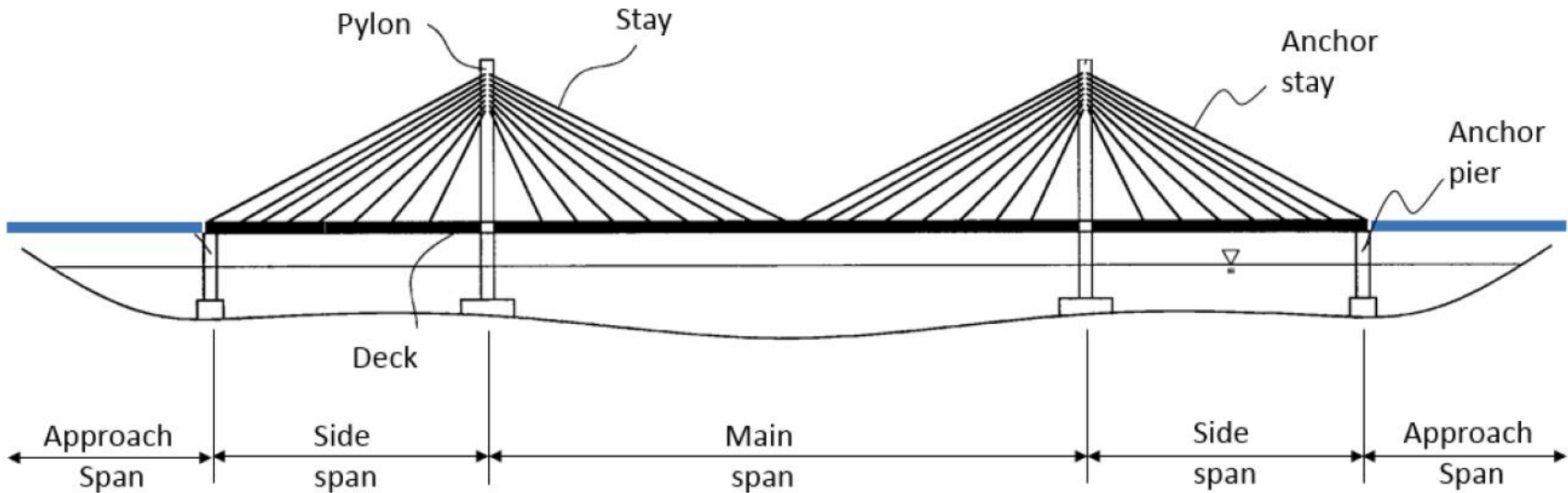


**SAFE** ✓

**ON-TIME** ✓



# CABLE-STAYED BRIDGE THEORY



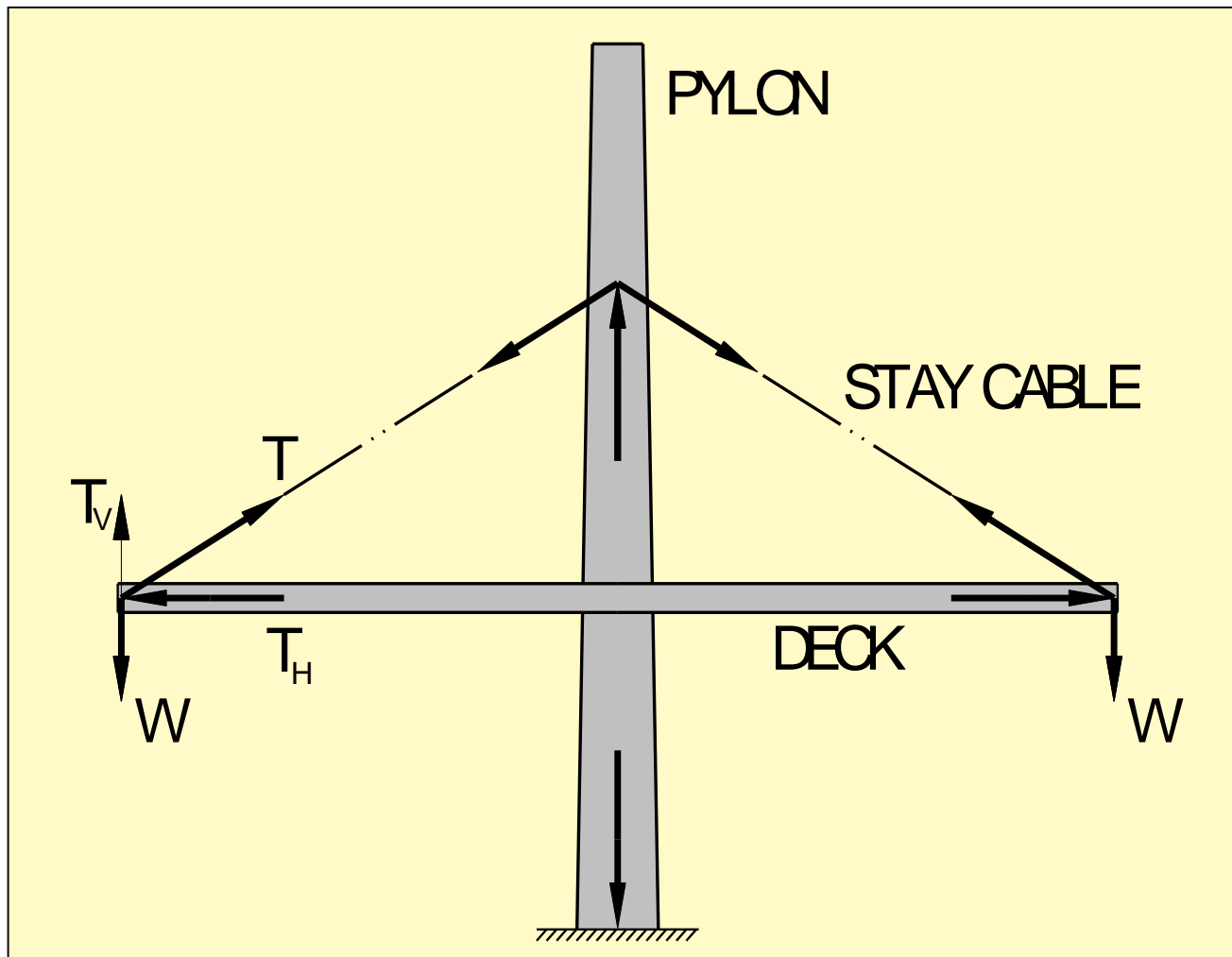
*Figure 5, Components of a typical cable-stayed bridge*

## Cable-Stayed Bridge Nomenclature





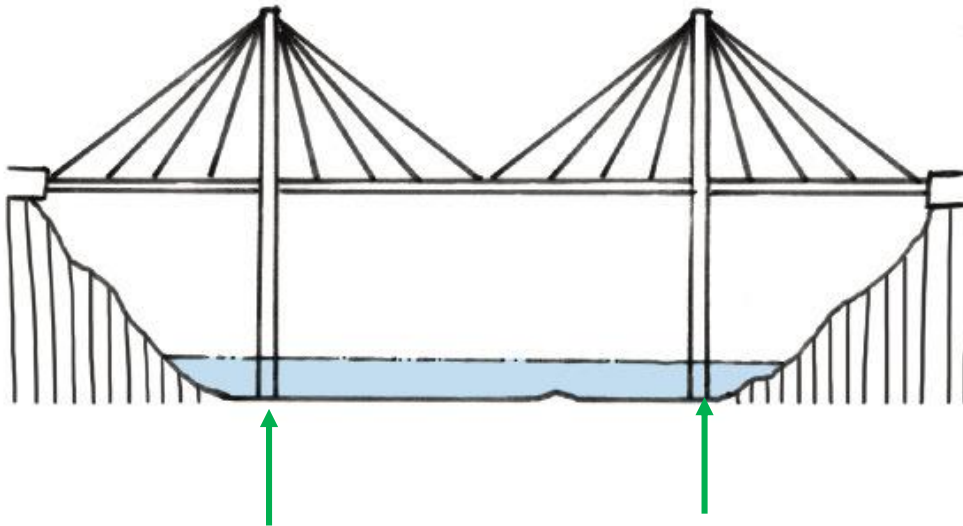
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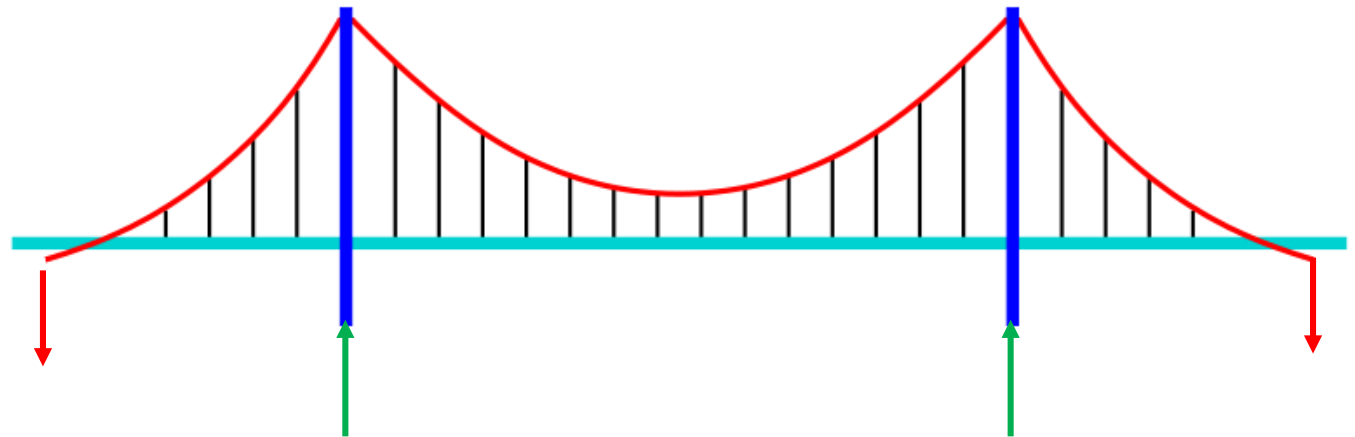
Triangular load path



# CABLE-STAYED BRIDGE THEORY

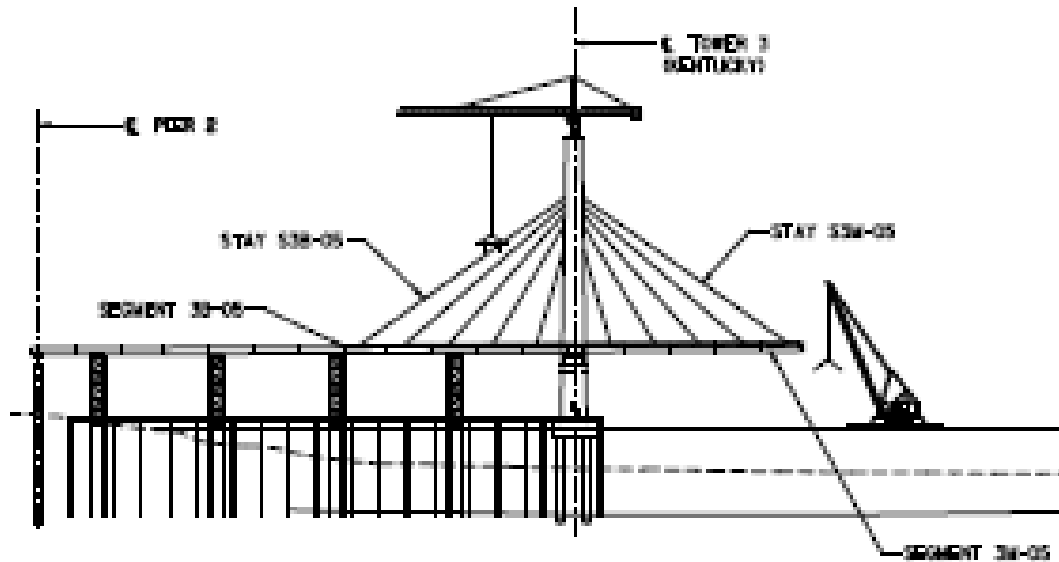


Cable-stay vs suspension  
reactions

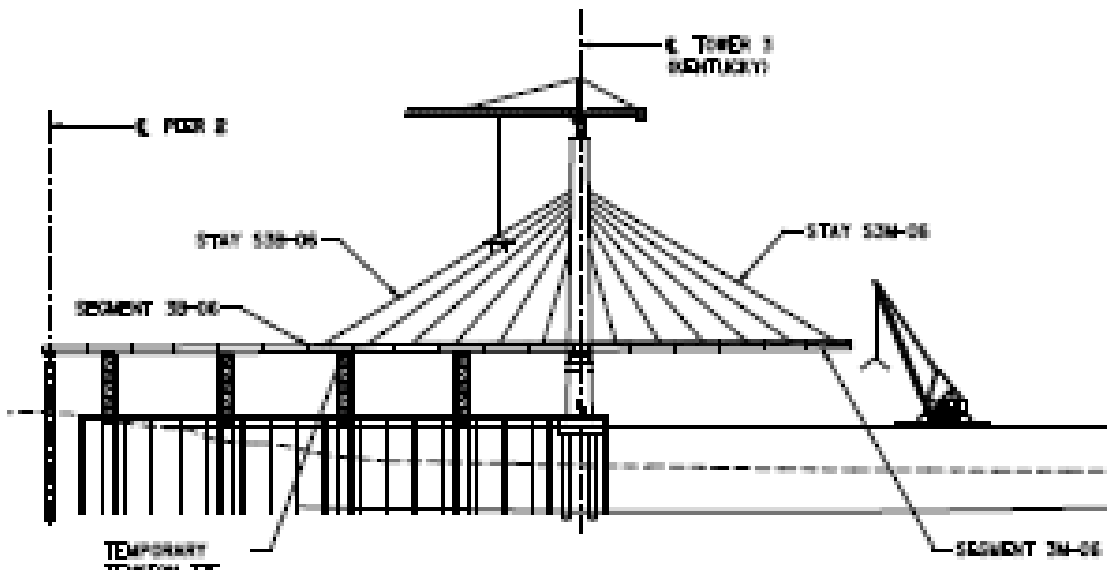




# CABLE-STAYED CONSTRUCTION



The final state drives the construction sequence.



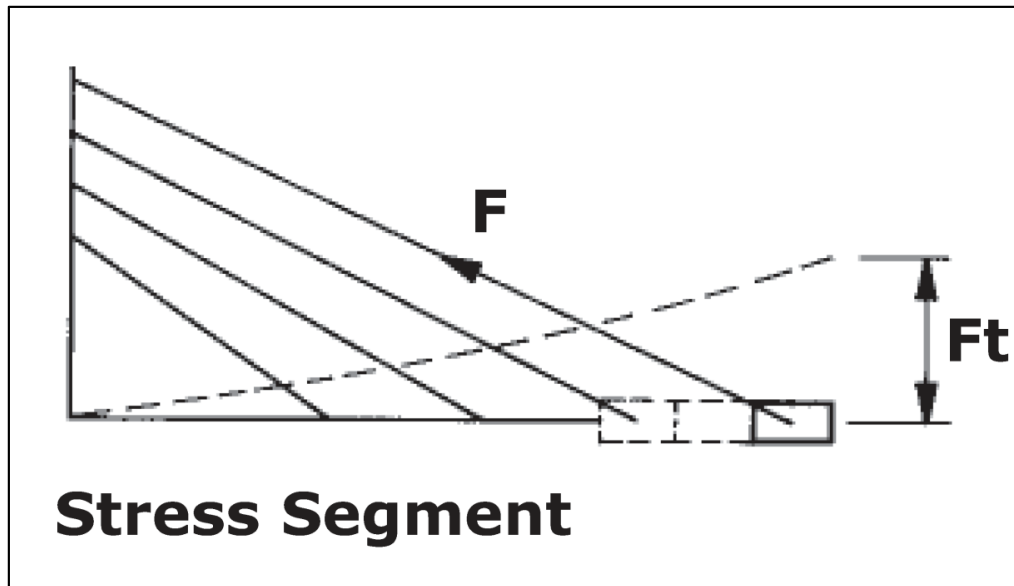
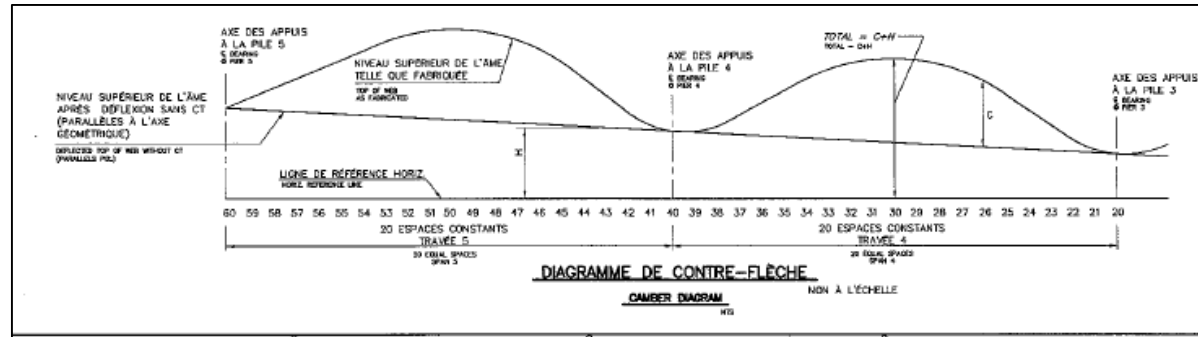
Construction engineering of a cable-stayed bridge is a complex undertaking, but the essence of the job can be distilled to three things:

- Get the bridge in the right place
- Get the right force in the stays
- Don't break anything





# GEOMETRY CONTROL



Active vs passive geometry control

# GEOMETRY CONTROL



Things move often.

Things move a lot.

Downstream [D] Edge Girder Survey Control Point Elevations (ft)

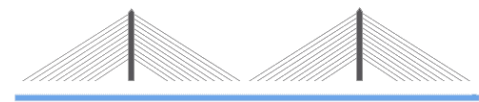
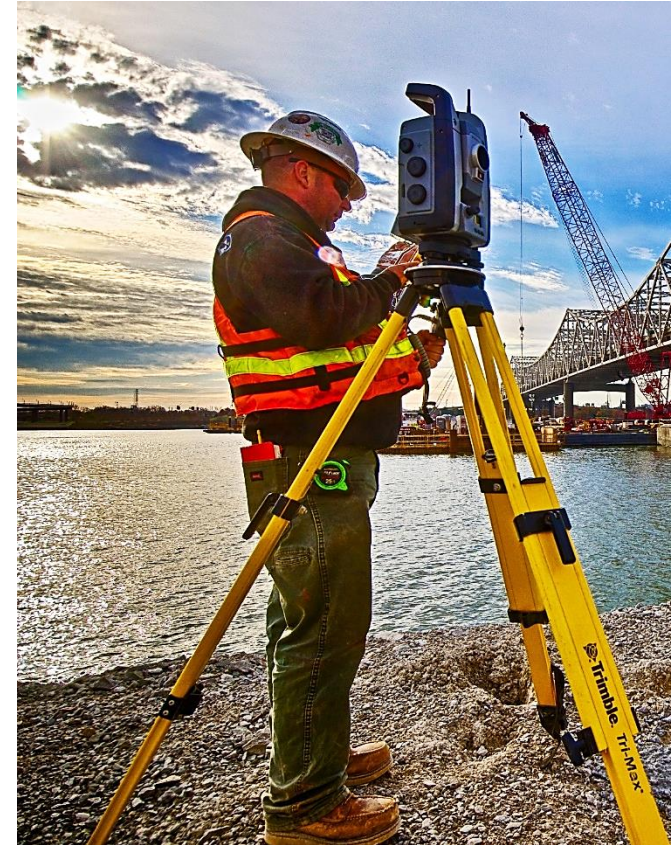
Including Camber	Construction Step	Construction Activity	SP3M-1	SP3M-2	SP3M-3	SP3M-4	SP3M-5	SP3M-6	SP3M-7	SP3M-8	SP3M-9	SP3M-10	SP3M-11	SP3M-12	CL Main Span
	Step 76	L/R T&M-07: Cast CIP Stitch	503.893	504.185	504.496	504.789	505.033	505.230	505.434	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Step 77	L/R T&M-07: Re-Stress Stays (2)	503.880	504.164	504.465	504.870	505.302	505.609	505.895	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Step 78	L/R T&B-08: Cast CIP Stitch	503.883	504.170	504.503	504.882	505.316	505.627	505.816	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Step 79	L/R T&B-08: Install & Stress Stays (1)	503.962	504.333	504.753	505.222	505.747	506.349	507.031	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Step 80	L/R T&M-08: Position New Grillage Segment	503.962	504.333	504.753	505.222	505.747	506.349	507.031	507.730	-	-	-	-	-
	Step 81	L/R T&M-08: Stress Diagonal Bracing	503.952	504.312	504.717	505.153	505.616	506.109	506.627	507.062	-	-	-	-	-
	Step 82	L/R T&M-08: Place First & Precast Panels	503.937	504.282	504.663	505.055	505.432	505.780	506.086	506.269	-	-	-	-	-
	Step 83	L/R T&M-08: Install & Stress Partial Stays (1A)	503.935	504.278	504.658	505.053	505.443	505.818	506.169	506.429	-	-	-	-	-
	Step 84	L/R T&M-08: Place Remaining Precast Panels	503.917	504.239	504.591	504.933	505.225	505.438	505.557	505.526	-	-	-	-	-
	Step 85	L/R T&B-09: Place Precast Panels	503.915	504.237	504.587	504.928	505.218	505.430	505.547	505.515	-	-	-	-	-
	Step 86	L/R T&M-08: Install & Stress Full Stays (1B)	503.910	504.226	504.571	504.922	505.249	505.541	505.792	505.984	-	-	-	-	-
	Step 87	L/R T&M-08: Re-Stress Full Stays (1C)	503.909	504.222	504.569	504.922	505.260	505.572	505.857	506.106	-	-	-	-	-
	Step 88	L/R T&M-08: Cast CIP Stitch	503.899	504.201	504.534	504.867	505.172	505.436	505.662	505.858	-	-	-	-	-
	Step 89	L/R T&M-08: Re-Stress Stays (2)	503.889	504.179	504.509	504.876	505.289	505.772	506.341	506.964	-	-	-	-	-
	Step 90	L/R T&B-09: Cast CIP Stitch	503.889	504.179	504.509	504.876	505.288	505.771	506.340	506.963	-	-	-	-	-
	Step 91	L/R T&B-09: Install & Stress Stays (1)	503.958	504.322	504.718	505.173	505.666	506.231	506.883	507.590	-	-	-	-	-
	Step 92	L/R T&M-09: Position New Grillage Segment	503.958	504.322	504.728	505.173	505.666	506.231	506.883	507.590	508.306	-	-	-	-
	Step 93	L/R T&M-09: Stress Diagonal Bracing	503.949	504.304	504.701	505.130	505.585	506.078	506.608	507.139	507.611	-	-	-	-
	Step 94	L/R T&M-09: Place First & Precast Panels	503.935	504.279	504.662	505.065	505.469	505.862	506.231	506.537	506.713	-	-	-	-
	Step 95	L/R T&M-09: Install & Stress Partial Stays (1A)	503.934	504.276	504.657	505.060	505.469	505.876	506.272	506.620	506.865	-	-	-	-
	Step 96	L/R T&M-09: Place Remaining Precast Panels	503.918	504.243	504.607	504.979	505.326	505.610	505.830	505.922	505.848	-	-	-	-
	Step 97	L/R T&B-10: Place Precast Panels	503.917	504.242	504.604	504.976	505.322	505.614	505.824	505.915	505.841	-	-	-	-
	Step 98	L/R T&M-09: Install & Stress Full Stays (1B)	503.912	504.231	504.586	504.957	505.321	505.664	506.074	506.500	506.949	-	-	-	-
	Step 99	L/R T&M-09: Re-Stress Full Stays (1C)	503.912	504.229	504.583	504.954	505.323	505.679	506.074	506.500	506.949	-	-	-	-
	Step 100	L/R T&M-09: Cast CIP Stitch	503.903	504.212	504.566	504.933	505.259	505.563	505.840	506.087	506.276	-	-	-	-
	Step 101	L/R T&M-09: Re-Stress Stays (2)	503.896	504.193	504.525	504.867	505.287	505.748	506.292	506.900	507.562	-	-	-	-
	Step 102	L/R T&B-10: Cast CIP Stitch	503.896	504.192	504.524	504.886	505.285	505.746	506.290	506.898	507.561	-	-	-	-
	Step 103	L/R T&B-10: Install & Stress Stays (1)	503.949	504.301	504.691	505.113	505.574	506.099	506.707	507.381	508.110	-	-	-	-
	Step 104	L/R T&M-10: Position New Grillage Segment	503.949	504.301	504.691	505.113	505.574	506.099	506.707	507.381	508.110	508.849	-	-	-
	Step 105	L/R T&M-10: Stress Diagonal Bracing	503.939	504.281	504.667	505.080	505.539	506.033	506.527	507.071	507.614	508.100	508.849	-	-
	Step 106	L/R T&M-10: Place First & Precast Panels	503.926	504.259	504.632	505.031	505.442	505.861	506.276	506.646	506.962	507.329	-	-	-
	Step 107	L/R T&M-10: Install & Stress Partial Stays (1A)	503.925	504.256	504.627	505.024	505.436	505.862	506.295	506.698	507.052	507.409	-	-	-
	Step 108	L/R T&M-10: Place Remaining Precast Panels	503.909	504.225	504.582	504.961	505.338	505.692	506.096	506.503	506.921	507.339	-	-	-
	Step 109	Remove Temporary Tower RIG	503.914	504.262	504.627	505.042	505.466	505.724	506.084	506.474	-	-	-	-	-
	Step 110	L/R T&M-10: Re-Stress Stays (2)	503.920	504.256	504.630	505.026	505.421	505.735	506.112	506.447	506.734	-	-	-	-
	Step 111	L/R T&B-11: Place Precast Panels	503.966	504.345	504.769	505.216	505.662	506.086	506.462	506.740	506.899	506.900	-	-	-
	Step 112	L/R T&M-10: Install & Stress Full Stays (1B)	503.960	504.332	504.746	505.185	505.631	506.076	506.506	506.884	507.197	507.450	-	-	-
	Step 113	L/R T&M-10: Re-Stress Full Stays (1C)	503.960	504.331	504.743	505.181	505.628	506.080	506.525	506.927	507.279	507.533	-	-	-
	Step 114	L/R T&M-10: Cast CIP Stitch	503.938	504.285	504.673	505.083	505.498	505.906	506.293	506.623	506.889	507.124	-	-	-
	Step 115	L/R T&M-10: Re-Stress Stays (2)	503.935	504.275	504.650	505.052	505.466	505.971	506.334	506.671	506.883	506.925	-	-	-
	Step 116	L/R T&B-11: Cast CIP Stitch	503.948	504.301	504.690	505.106	505.553	506.055	506.533	507.079	507.694	508.272	-	-	-
	Step 117	L/R T&B-11: Install & Stress Stays (1)	504.018	504.447	504.915	505.412	505.943	506.531	507.197	507.932	508.737	509.604	-	-	-
	Step 118	L/R T&B-11: Cast Remaining Refract Lifts at Pier 2	504.042	504.498	504.994	505.521	506.081	506.698	507.395	508.160	508.996	509.894	-	-	-
	Step 119	L/R T&M-11: Position New Grillage Segment	504.042	504.498	504.994	505.521	506.081	506.698	507.395	508.160	508.996	509.894	510.806	-	-
	Step 120	L/R T&M-11: Stress Diagonal Bracing	504.018	504.440	504.922	505.425	505.957	506.531	507.157	507.811	508.485	509.167	509.792	-	-
	Step 121	L/R T&M-11: Place First & Precast Panels	503.984	504.381	504.821	505.290	505.781	506.293	506.820	507.324	507.783	508.183	508.456	-	-
	Step 122	L/R T&M-11: Install & Stress Partial Stays (1A)	503.983	504.378	504.815	505.281	505.769	506.283	506.818	507.342	507.835	508.285	508.639	-	-
	Step 123	L/R T&M-11: Place Remaining Precast Panels	503.943	504.296	504.692	505.118	505.557	506.008	506.419	506.769	507.016	507.146	507.119	-	-
	Step 124	L/R T&B-12: Place Precast Panels	503.955	504.321	504.731	505.171	505.624	506.080	506.516	506.881	507.142	507.288	507.276	-	-
	Step 125	L/R T&M-11: Install & Stress Full Stays (1B)	503.951	504.311	504.712	505.141	505.588	506.048	506.512	506.941	507.313	507.625	507.881	-	-
	Step 126	L/R T&M-11: Re-Stress Full Stays (1C)	503.950	504.310	504.710	505.138	505.583	506.046	506.519	506.944	507.364	507.718	508.089	-	-
	Step 127	L/R T&M-11: Cast CIP Stitch	503.932	504.271	504.651	505.058	505.479	505.910	506.340	506.727	507.063	507.320	507.561	-	-
	Step 128	L/R T&M-11: Re-Stress Stays (2)	503.932	504.267	504.636	505.029	505.446	505.905	506.409	506.897	507.329	507.604	507.806	-	-
	Step 129	L/R T&B-12: Cast CIP Stitch	503.937	504.279	504.654	505.053	505.477	505.944	506.475	507.055	507.607	508.108	508.581	-	-
	Step 130	L/R T&B-12: Install & Stress Stays (1A)	503.967	504.340	504.749	505.183	505.642	506.146	506.713	507.333	508.015	508.764	509.577	-	-
	Step 131	L/R T&M-12: Position New Grillage Segment	503.967	504.340	504.749	505.183	505.642	506.146	506.713	507.333	508.015	508.764	509.577	510.401	-
	Step 132	L/R T&M-12: Stress Diagonal Bracing	503.947	504.305	504.689	505.106	505.547	506.023	506.545	507.092	507.651	508.226	508.805	509.325	-
	Step 133	L/R T&M-12: Place First & Precast Panels	503.920	504.247	504.609	505.001	505.416	505.855	506.315	506.769	507.145	507.518	507.807	507.968	-
	Step 134	L/R T&M-12: Install & Stress Partial Stays (1A)	503.919	504.243	504.604	504.993	505.405	505.843	506.306	506.760	507.188	507.578	507.923	508.170	-
	Step 135	L/R T&M-12: Place Remaining Precast Panels	503.887	504.177	504.506	504.866	505.245	505.638	506.029	506.368	506.617	506.753	506.769	506.629	-
	Step 136	L/R T&M-12: Install & Stress Full Stays (1B)	503.883	504.169	504.491	504.841	505.210	505.599	506.000	506.473	506.904	507.340	507.741	508.107	-
	Step 137	L/R T&M-12: Re-Stress Full Stays (1C)	503.883	504.169	504.491	504.841	505.210	505.599	506.000	506.473	506.904	507.340	507.741	508.107	-
	Step 138	L/R T&M-12: Cast CIP Stitch	503.868	504.138	504.444	504.775	505.127	505.495	505.869	506.261	506.688	507.095	507.487	507.850	-
	Step 139	L/R T&M-12: Re-Stress Stays (2)	503.870	504.138	504.438	504.756	505.099	505.463	505.877	506.322	506.804	507.333	507.920	508.561	-
	Step 140	L/R T&B-13: Install & Stress Stays (1)	503.934	504.272	504.643	505.038	505.453	505.903	506.399	506.929	507.497	508.113	508.789	509.519	-
	Step 141	L/R T&B-13: Re-Stress Stays (1B)	503.956	504.317	504.713	505.133	505.574	506.051	506.575	507.133	507.729	508.376	509.080	509.840	-
	Step 142	L/R T&B-13: Stress Backspan PT	503.956	504.318	504.714	505.135	505.577	506.054	506.579	507.137	507.734	508.381	509.086	509.846	-
	Step 143	L/R T&M-13: Position New Grillage Segment	503.956	504.318	504.714	505.135	505.577	506.054	506.579	507.137	507.734	508.381	509.086	509.846	510.634
	Step 144	L/R T&M-13: Stress Diagonal Bracing	503.941	504.286	504.667	505.075	505.505	505.968	506.468	506.981	507.499	508.020	508.544	509.06	



# GEOMETRY CONTROL

Parameters that go into the calculations:

- Design profile
- Design Cambers
- As-built geometry
- Long-term movements (creep, shrinkage)
- Erection sequence
- Temporary loads
- Ambient temperatures



# GEOMETRY CONTROL



You had one job.



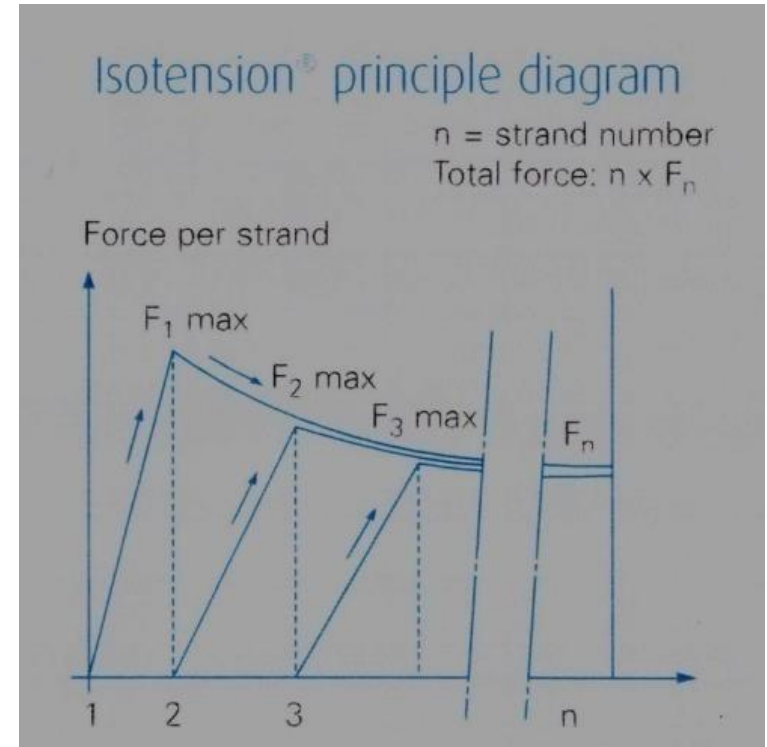
# CABLE INSTALLATION



Stressing equipment and construction engineering are tied together.



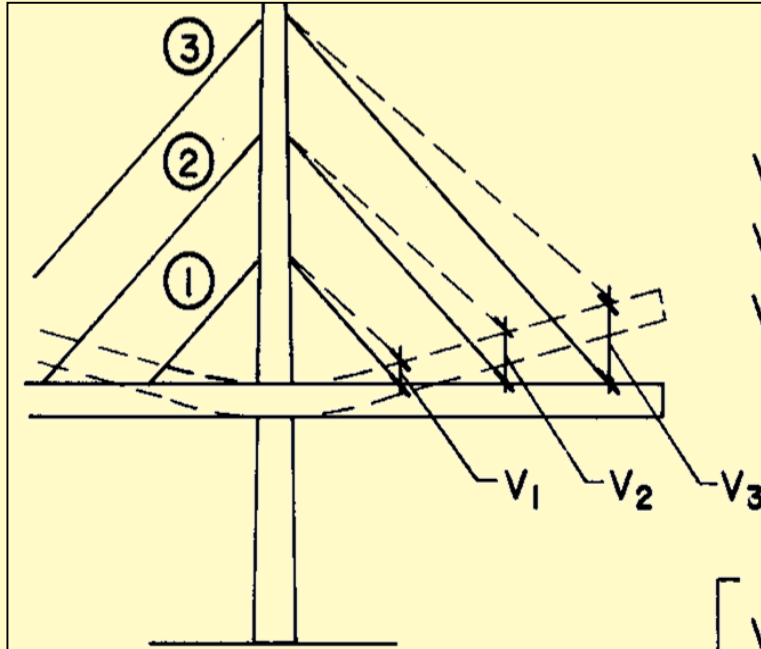
# CABLE INSTALLATION



Monostrand stressing adds complexity



# CABLE INSTALLATION



$$V_1 = A_{11} F_1 + A_{21} F_2 + A_{31} F_3$$

$$V_2 = A_{12} F_1 + A_{22} F_2 + A_{32} F_3$$

$$V_3 = A_{13} F_1 + A_{23} F_2 + A_{33} F_3$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} V_i \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{ij} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} F_i \end{bmatrix}$$

Each stay affects the others.



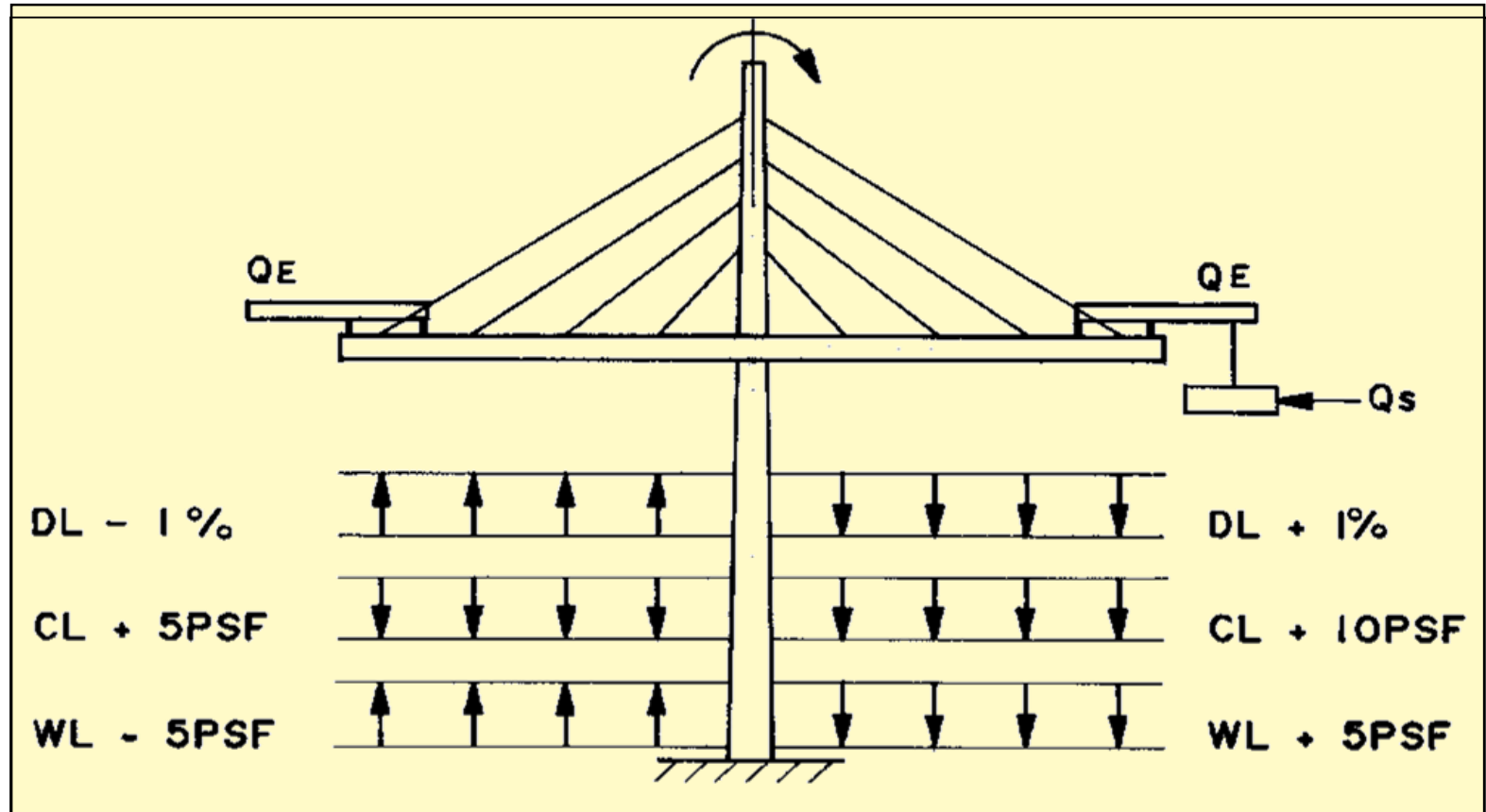
Structural checks can be thought of as “big picture” items – those affecting the overall strength and stability, and “small picture” items affecting local member capacity.

The challenge with both of these are that the system is constantly changing.



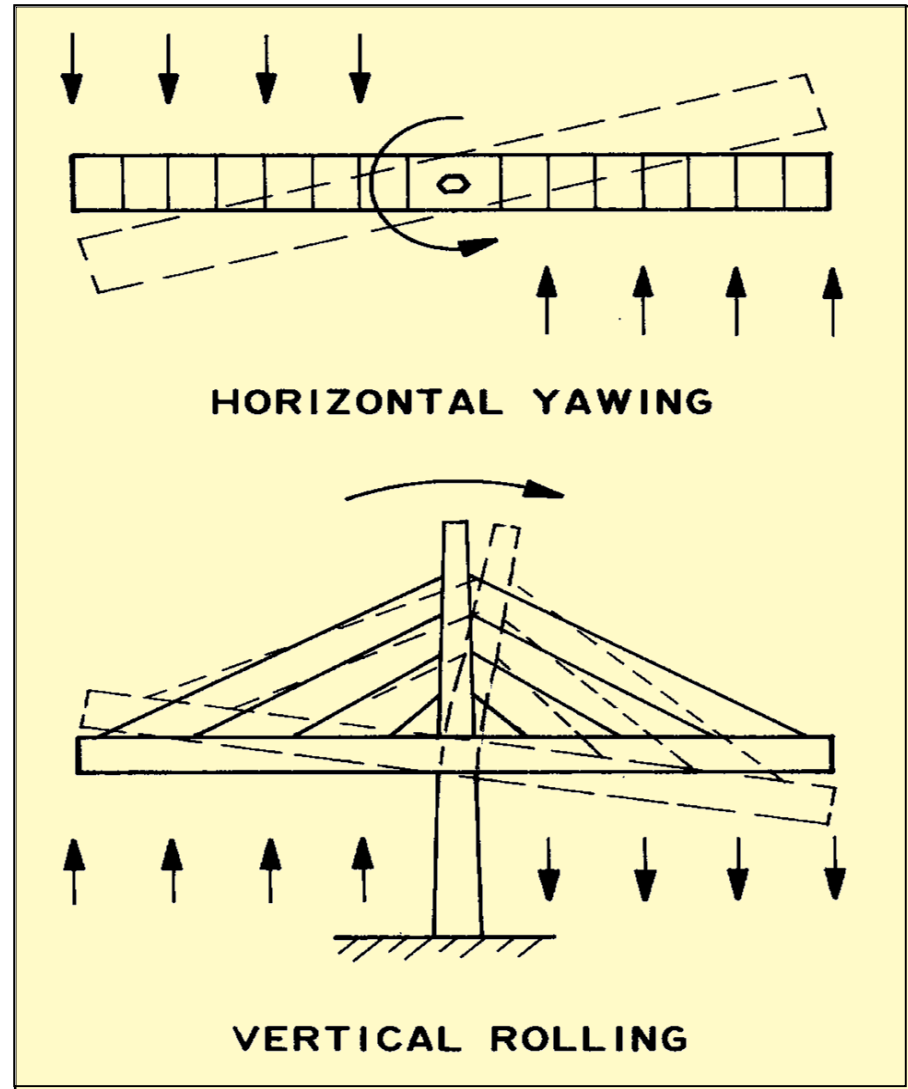


# STRUCTURAL CHECKS



Overturning effects are significant.

Wind induces  
overturning and  
twisting.



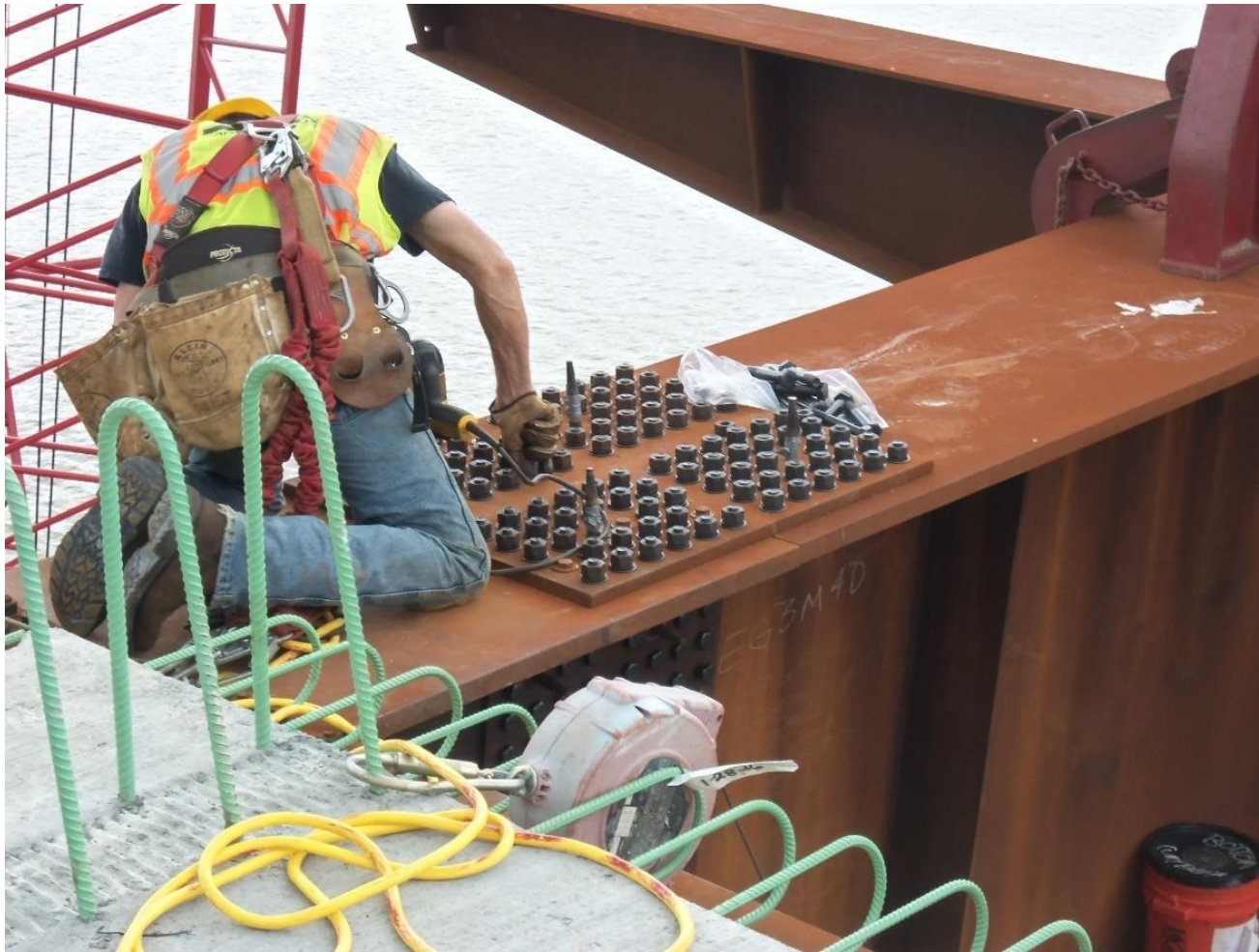


# STRUCTURAL CHECKS



Code values underestimate wind.

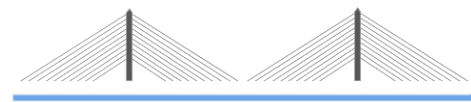
# STRUCTURAL CHECKS



Small picture considerations



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Engineer's Question:

“How much does it weigh, and where are you putting it?”

Contractor's Answer:

“What's the biggest load that I can put in the worst possible place?”





There can be a relationship between material costs and construction speed and complexity.

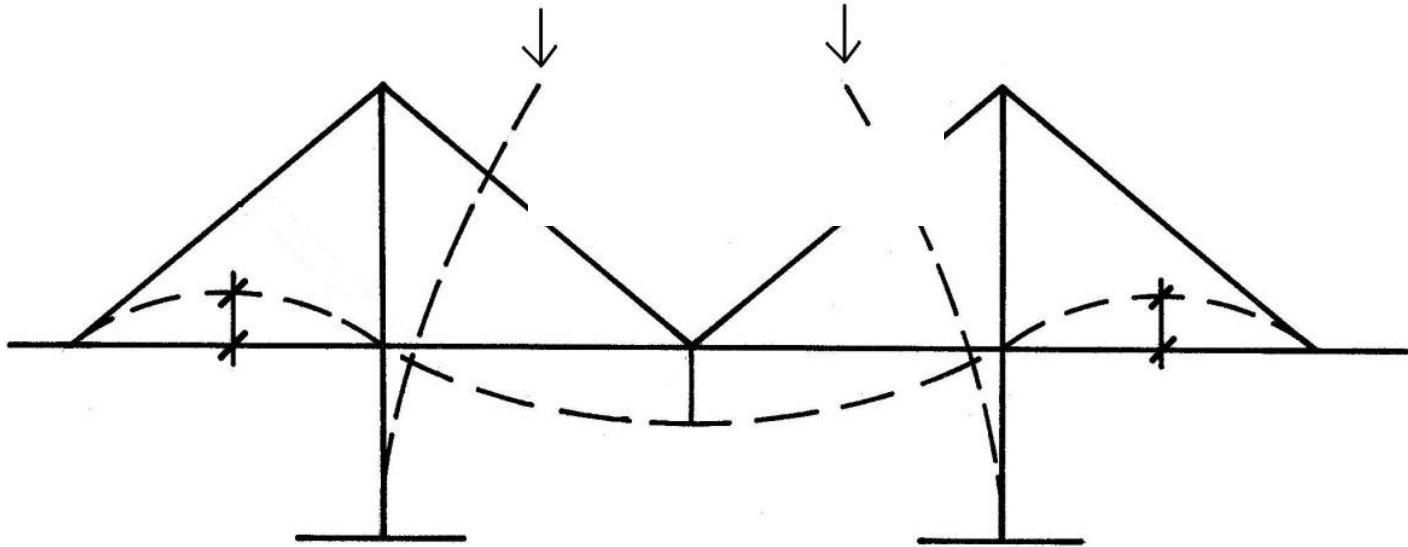
Which one is preferable often depends on where you are in the process.



# TRADEOFFS



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The choice is between cambering the girders up and paying for extra steel, or restressing the stays after placement.

In general, the WVC team opted for complexity over materials.





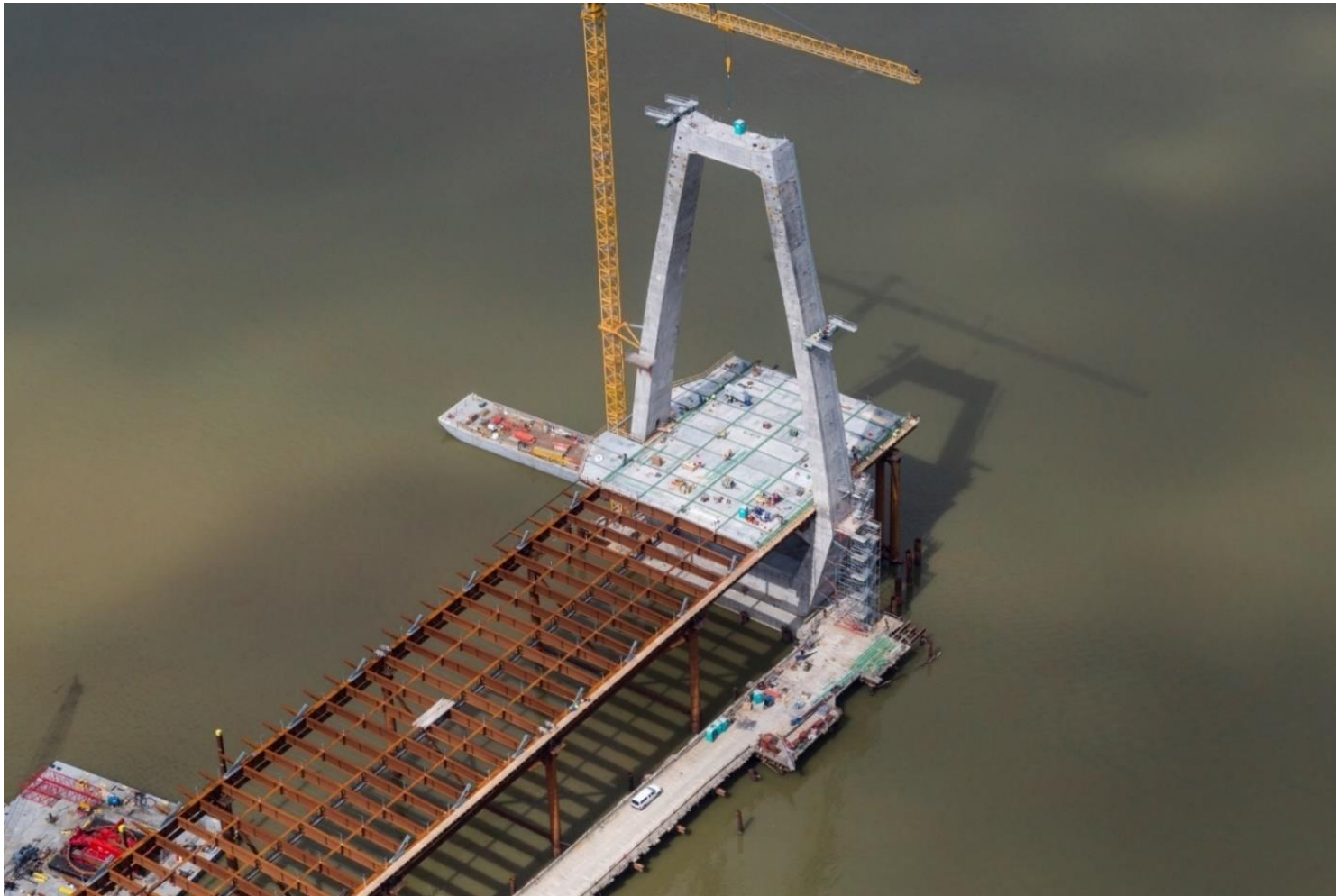
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## Backspan Steel



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Pier Table on shoring.



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Backspan first





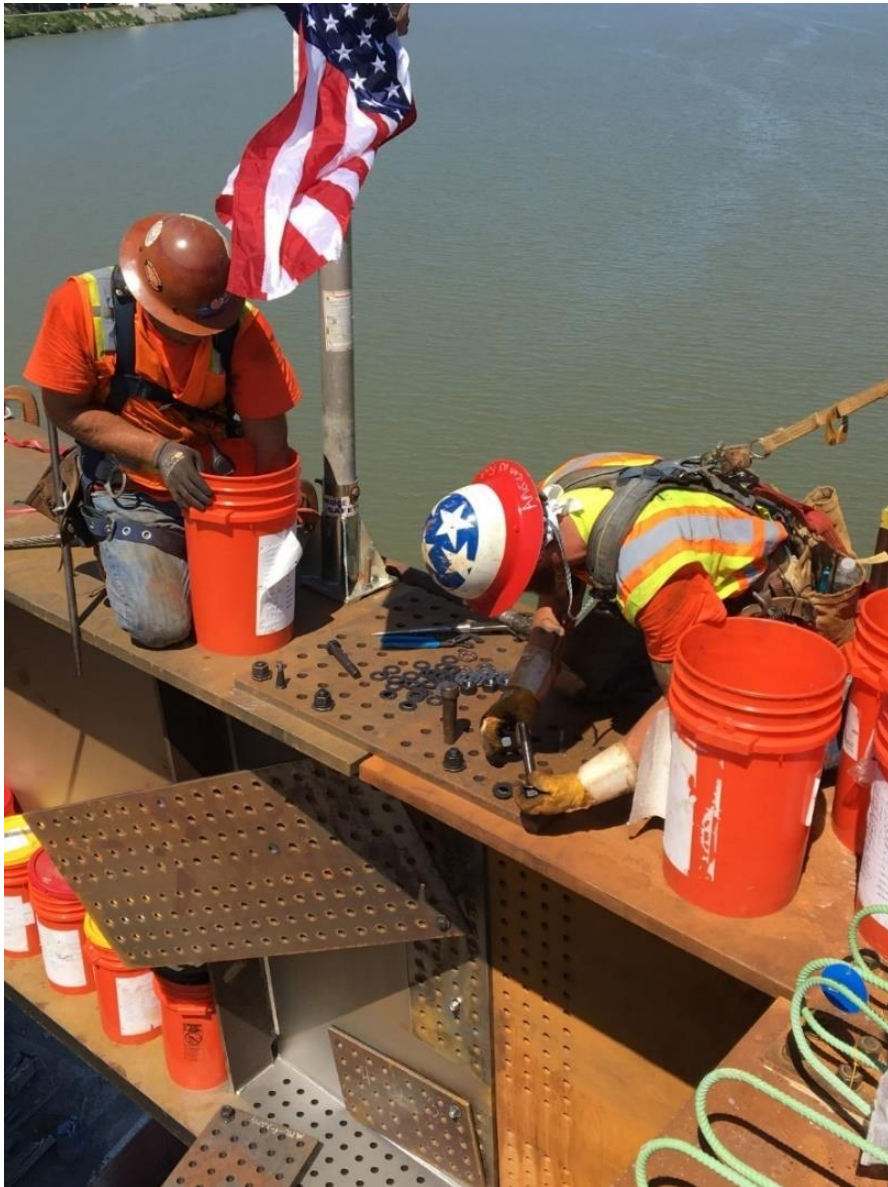
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Main span cycle part 1



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Field bolting time is minimized.



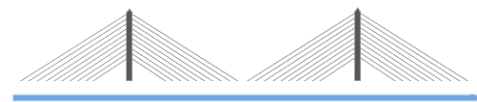


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## Main span cycle part 2





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Precast panel placement



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Main span cycle part 3



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Installed from the deck, stressed in  
the pylon





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Main span cycle part 4

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Re-stress to target geometry

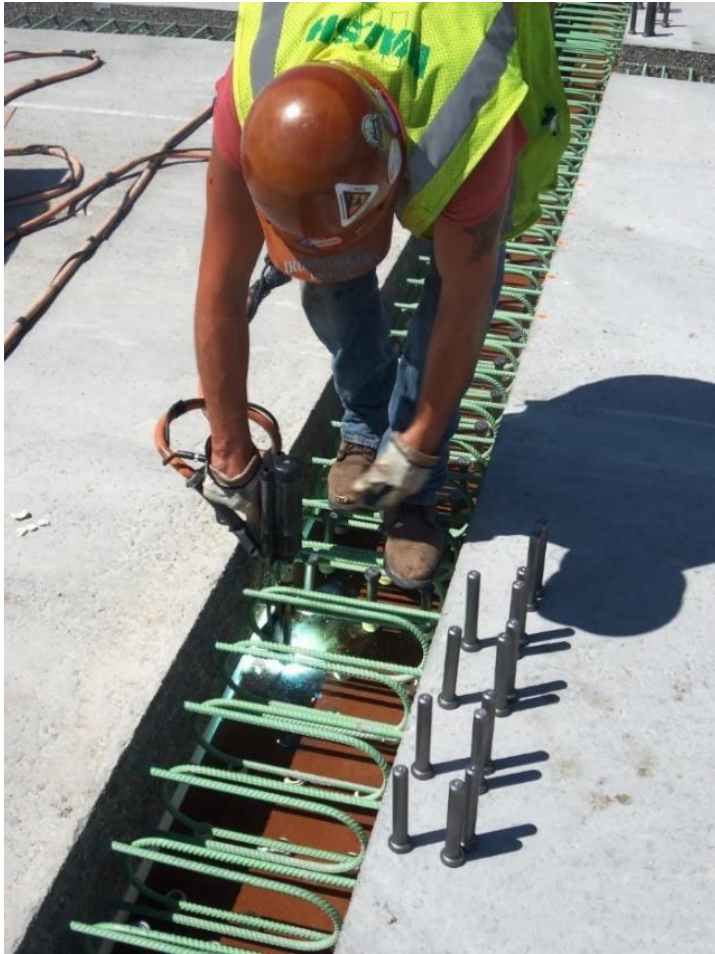


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Main span cycle part 5

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Studs are placed and stitches cast.





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Yet more stressing





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Overlapping cycles















